

Seasons of Change

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*Our lives, like
the seasons, are
constantly
changing...*





Facing

Coming onto campus many students were not sure of what to expect; they just knew to expect changes. To the freshmen simply

Changes

being here was a change, but the rest of the students knew that they were not coming back to the same old routine. The 1997-1998 school year will definitely be remembered for its seasons of change

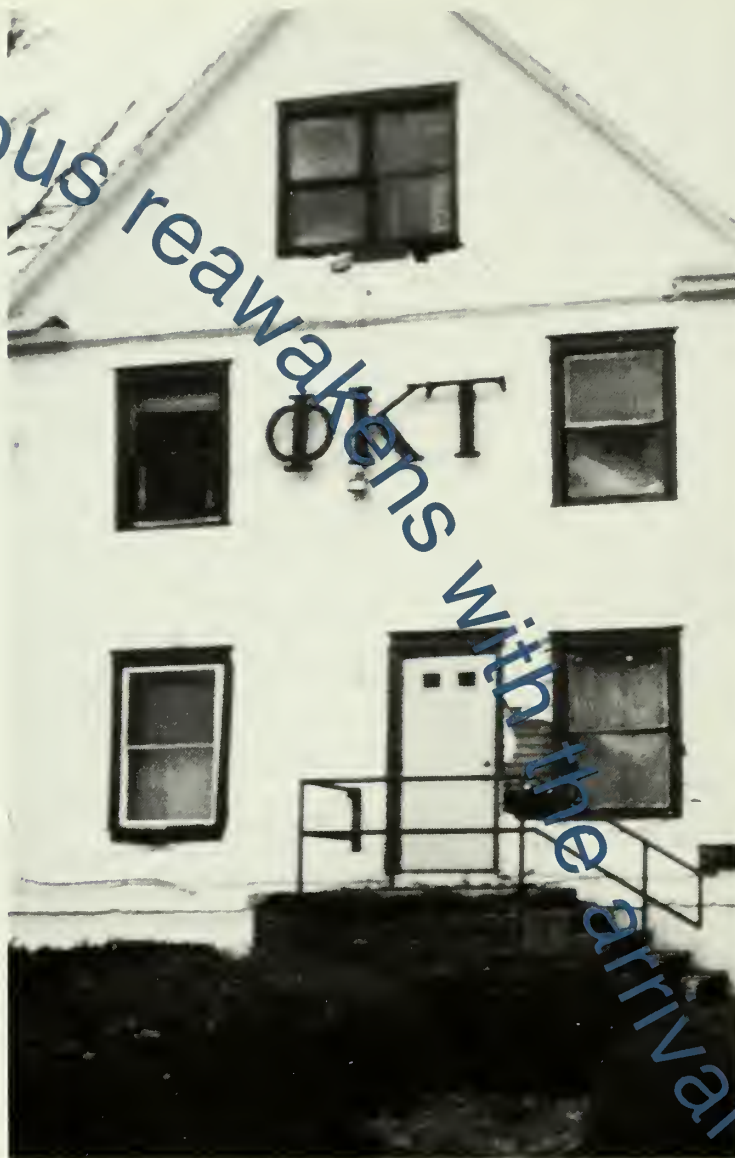


Fall at Westminster has always been a time of excitement and activity.

The campus reawakens with the arrival of the

Freshman and transfer students get their first taste of life at Westminster during Fresh Start, as upperclassmen help them to make friends and learn the ropes. Returning students come back to campus with the experience of their past years behind them and a new year full of possibilities ahead. Junior transfer student Erin Remai says "fall seems like the beginning of the year rather than the end because, even as the leaves fall, everything is brand new." This new year is especially exciting for Westminster because the campus is abuzz with many changes and enhancements.

Alpha Sigma Phi is finally off probation, but the big excitement among the Greeks is the construction of the new Phi Kappa Tau house behind Hoyt Science Center. "We're just itchin' to get in there," says chapter president Aaron Schulman. This new structure will house 28 brothers and boasts a walk-in kitchen, a ritual room, and a massive dining area. Funding for the house came largely from Phi Tau alumni and the sale of their old house on Waugh Ave. to the Shenango Home. Construction delays seem to be pushing the completion date back, but the brothers are confident that they will be moving in soon.





Soon the old Phi Tau house will just be a memory. Brigitte Bires and John Bush get to practice their computer skills at the help desk. Not so long ago this wall was lined with card catalogs instead of computers.



Freshmen get a hand moving in.
Seniors enjoyed a new tradition - powder puff football!



A new sight around campus - lighted maps.

Back on campus, the standard old ID card has been transformed into the multi-functional TitanCard. Where it once could only be used at the dining hall and TUB Grille, this versatile piece of WC plastic can now also be used at the bookstore for all purchases and at the Down Under for snacks. "It will be nice not to have to remember to take cash to the Down Under and my checkbook to the bookstore. This plan saves everyone a big hassle," says sophomore Brandi Newell. Now, if they could only come up with a way to keep students from losing their TitanCards. . .

College life means living in the residence halls, and one of the major changes on campus is the completion of the TitanNet. This computer network connects most students computers to the main campus server and to the world. Students will now have access to their e-mail and the internet from their rooms. Professors can send and receive assignments over the net, as well as use the smart classroom technology in their lectures. Junior Terra McMullen says "the new network is an advantage for students whose schedules conflict with the computer labs'. With internet access in my room, I will be able to do my work and research at my convenience." Still other students voice concerns that the technology is becoming too important. "I think the fact that Westminster is staying current with technol-



"Munch Money" has been replaced with versatile "Titan Dollars."
Fall is always a spectacular sight here.



Andy Tinker helps a new student move into Shaw, the freshmen women's dorm.



“ This plan saves everyone a big hassle. ”



TUB meals can be bought with "Titan Dollars" or meal equivalency.
Cheering for the football team is a popular fall activity.



WestminiMart is much more convenient with the Titan Card.

ogy is great; but it's almost frightening how much my classes seem to depend on it," says junior Marguerite Zinz. No matter what your perspective, you cannot deny that Westminster students will learn valuable skills for the future by understanding the technology of today.

Perhaps the most exciting changes this semester are academic. As part of Westminster's constant mission to improve itself, major curriculum changes move toward the creation of an intellectual community among faculty and students. While the unique experiences of J-term will be missed, several other attention-grabbing innovations will be offered which combine technology and cooperative learning techniques to teach students to approach problems from several perspectives.

Though the new curriculum does not officially begin until next fall, several pilot courses are being offered this year. Inquiry, an updated version of Quest, is a year-long course combining liberal arts concerns and the speech and writing requirements that will be required of all freshman starting next fall. The class focuses on concepts of the self and family in our society and looks to a variety of disciplines to answer questions about human nature. Pilot course professors during the first semester, Drs. Nancy Macky and Fritz Horn, will use group discussion and extensive



The internet has recently become a valuable research tool. Even with all of the changes in how and what we study, the TUB is still where many of us do our studying.



Ginger Lilly takes notes in the traditional old lecture hall in Thompson Clark Freeman.



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how much my classes
seem to depend on it.”



In the midst of bright fall leaves we are welcomed back.



Denny Wolf is hidden behind a computer screen, a spot where most of us spend at least a few minutes each day.



E-mail has made communication faster and easier - most of us and our professors have come to depend on it.

group work to encourage students to participate. "Learning to accept and appreciate other perspectives" will be a key focus of the course according to Dr. Macky.

Another innovation to the curriculum is the cluster approach to teaching courses, where two similarly oriented classes are taught by two professors in different disciplines. Dr. Ross Wastvedt of the English department is teaching the fall semester pilot course on evolution with biology professor Dr. Keen Compher. He feels that the communication between the discipline will benefit professors as well as students, by adding an interesting perception to the subjects. In general, Dr. Wastvedt is "excited about the student/faculty commonalities encouraged by Inquiry and the clusters and [is] confident that they will be successful."

There has been some shakeups within the academic departments over the summer. Several faculty members have left campus, while we welcome ten new professors to Westminster. Several departments have combined over the summer to form stronger teaching communities. The theatre and communications departments have combined to form the Department of Theatre and Communication Studies, chaired by broadcasting professor David Barner. The new Department of Sociology and Political Science was created and is chaired by sociology profes-



Some upperclass women got a surprise this year when they were told that Minter would no longer be a dorm. They were moved to Jeffers, which was just changed from a freshman men's dorm to a freshman women's dorm last school year.



“ Learning to accept and appreciate other perspectives. ”



Fall scheduling was the last time for our simple 4-1-4 system.

Living near the Amish we get to see true rural life.

Carli Segelson and Erin Painter turn this sign into a rest stop.

sor Gary Lilly.

But with all of the wonderful changes on campus, we must also say our sad goodbyes as our beloved Chancellor Oscar E. Remick has announced his retirement as of July 1997. Chancellor Remick has served Westminster superbly during his ten years in office. He says, "it is certainly the right time for [him] to begin a new chapter in [his] higher education career. . . ." In regards to the College, he says, "this is the season for Westminster to bring to its life and mission new leadership to guide the College into the new century, the new millennium." The Presidential Search Committee has already begun the tedious task of finding Remick's successor, who will hopefully take office by July 1, 1997. While he will be deeply missed, we must look forward with excitement to the new president and the College's future, as well as our own.



Dr. Wasdvedt took part teaching one on this year's new cluster courses.



The Remick's house

Homecoming is one event almost everyone looks forward to in the fall



Regan Stetter predicted a peaceful year.

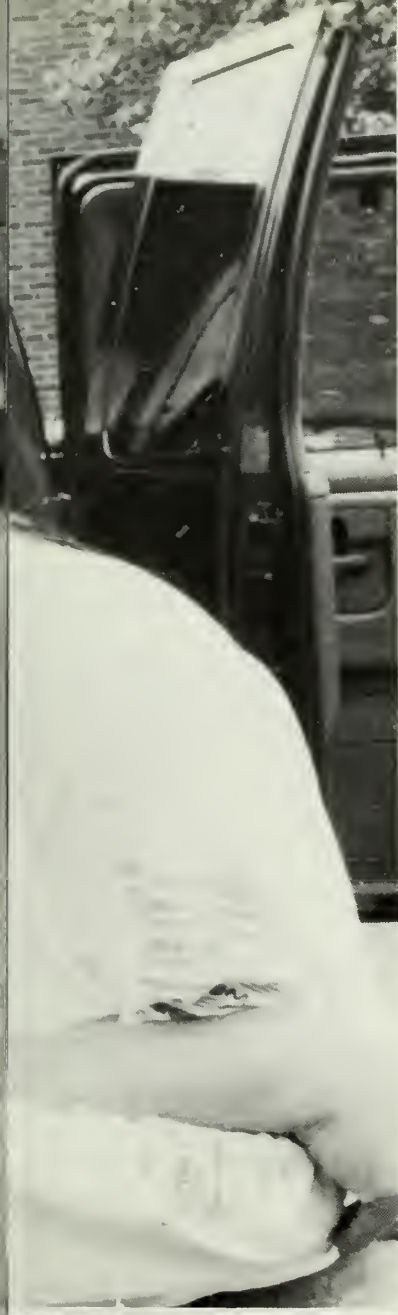


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its mission new leadership. ”



Brownie Mary is always a treat.
From president to chancellor - Oscar Remick





Golden

Few, if any, seniors can say that they haven't changed at all since they first stepped on campus. At the very least they learned a few

Memories

new facts in their classes. Many, though, have matured and grown in ways they never knew they could. Although they have to say good-bye to college life, their experiences here will not be forgotten.



Class of 1997

It's hard to believe that four years have passed since we first moved on campus on that rainy Friday in September of 1993. The Westminster that we moved into didn't look much different than the one we are leaving, but just as we have all changed inside so has our school.

In 1993 we only had three computer labs to choose from - the Next lab in the library, McElree in Hoyt, and the Psychology lab. Now there are eight labs on campus, with four being accessible to any student. We aren't just leaving more computers, we are leaving more technology. I had never even heard of e-mail as a freshman, and now dorm rooms are hooked up to the campus server to get it (and for school work of course).

I'm sure everyone remembers, with a little cringe, our old phone system. That constant busy signal! Now we just have to worry about getting yet another voice mail message from one of those people who thinks distribution lists are the best thing in the world.

When we walked into our library as freshmen we were greeted by the old familiar card catalog. Now once again technology has taken over. Computers help us find books and magazines. In addition, some of our research is now done directly on the computer with the introduction of the Internet.

Our mealtime has seen some changes too. Actually we get a longer meal time with the "equivalency plan" that was implemented our Sophomore year when the old grille got a face lift and some menu changes. We also have WestminiMart where we can spend some of the money that is in our Titan card.

Our living conditions have changed too. Some of our male class mates spent their first year of college in Jeffers - by our junior year they needed an escort to get around their old home. Through our junior year our female classmates who met certain grade requirements could dorm in the Minter House, but that is now no longer a dorm. So many people wanted to get off campus, and women's dorm space was so limited that the off campus lottery was started during our stay here.

I'm sure I missed some of the changes that have happened during the past four years, but this list could be endless. But through all of the changes we have maintained that same tradition of greatness that started over a century before we came here and will continue for many years to come.





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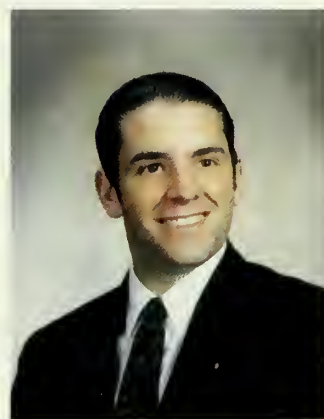
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Lonnie K. Gula



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Leigh A. Gura



Chad S. Hamilton



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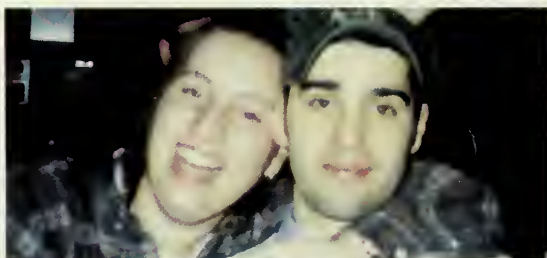


Mada M. Yonck



Jeremy E. Zipay









*Fall in, eyes facing
forward, determined
and searching...*





Fall

Even with the many changes that everyone seemed to be focused on, our traditions remained strong. The freshmen were greeted

Beginnings

by tye-dye clad "FreshStart" leaders, a homecoming queen was crowned, and classes were tough as ever. Still among even these traditions new faces brought new ideas and change.



Fall

Mandy Snyder entertained all at the KD dance-a-thon.



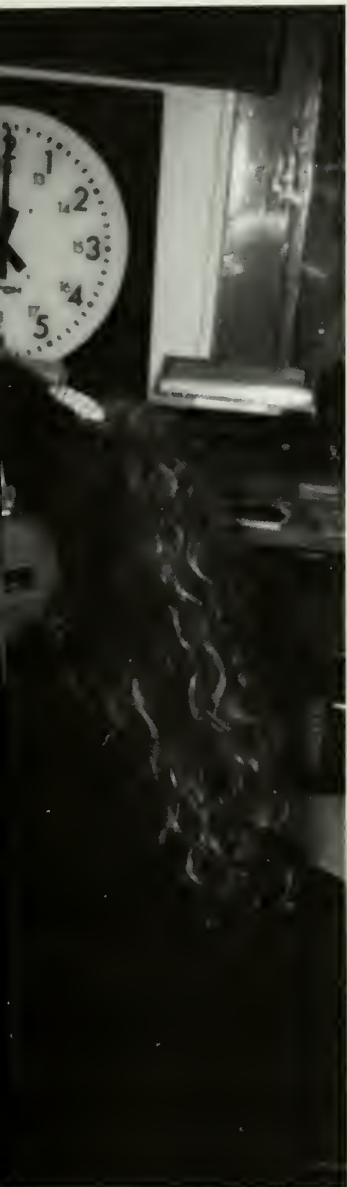
Zetas went to their date party incognito.



Fresh Start staffers were all gussied up for the Late Night Talent Show.

These sophomores got ready for a fun Saturday night.





Erin Painter welcomed us back on WWNW.
Renee Bassaly and Brett Hoover enjoyed a warm fall evening



The Ep formal gave these women a chance to get out in the beautiful autumn weather.



Leigh O'Shane spent some time out in the sports medicine room.

Becky Rickard immediately seemed at home in her dorm room.

Cindy Kraus and Lisa Wilson - Kappa Delta DJ's.

Beginning a new

This year's Fresh Start orientation program, under the direction of Senior Coordinator Courtney Collier and Junior Coordinator Beth Harry, enjoyed a successful week. Fresh Start's purpose is to acquaint incoming freshman and transfer students with life away from home and life at Westminster. Staffers help their group get to know not only the campus through informational meetings and academic sessions, but also each other through fun group activities and icebreakers. Two year senior staffer Christy Foreman says "spending time with upperclassmen and other freshman makes the adjustment to college life easier." Camille Hawthorne, assistant Dean of Student Affairs, says "this year seemed to go really well. There was participation from both the staff and the freshmen." One freshman commented, "it made you feel like you belong." Fresh Start is students helping students to build a more comfortable college atmosphere.



Smitty is happy to help out.



Dan Doughty takes a quick break.



After three years of this Bill Gardner is a pro.





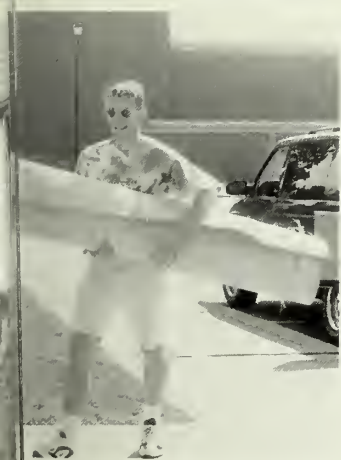
Rob Freil shows his strength lugging in part of someone's loft.

Scott Dietz clearly enjoys being part of the FreshStart staff.



Julie Zadroga points out parking at Russell.

Jackie West and Molly Sander get a "kick" out of Fresh Start.



Ed Sciuilli is hoping this rug isn't going to the third floor!
Eggs? John Grandy helps a new student move in.



Some staffers take a break from moving in all of those new students!

Welcome home

Homecoming '96 "Westminster Online" was a festive and exciting time on campus, as it proves to be every year. This year's activities kicked off Friday afternoon on the quad with the annual pep rally to introduce the Homecoming Queen candidates and the newly added powder puff game, which ended with the sophomore ladies' victory over the seniors. Saturday began with the parade through New Wilmington. Kappa Delta captured the prize for best float with their theme, "Crawl the Web." Titan football thrashed Tiffin on the field, but the half-time activities stole the show. Several alumni were awarded Citations for distinguished post-Westminster accomplishments, and the marching band performed. Beth Harry of Alpha Gamma Delta was crowned queen by former queen and her sorority sister Ashley Davis. Her court included independent Hope Latiak, Kappa Delta's Gwen Berkey, Phi Mu's Mary Heather Carney, Sigma Kappa's Paige Dearth, and Zeta Tau Alpha's Jennifer Campell. Keeping with the technological theme, alumni were treated to demonstrations of the new TitanNet and Smart classroom technology to round out an eventful weekend.



Surfin' the Net with Phi Mu.



Sigma Nu's chat-line



Those transforming Phi Taus.



Last year's queen Ashley Davis congratulates the new queen and her sorority sister Beth Harry.

Kappa Delta's web crawlers

Zeta's proudly display their banner as they march through town.



Alpha Gamma Deltas cheer behind their float.

Joe Blasco races for a touchdown.

Physical Plant gets crazy.

Sigma Kappas cheer for their candidate.

Homecoming

The Zeta Tau Alpha candidate Jennifer Campbell was escorted by Mike Lagana.

The excitement of the occasion is evident on Beth Harry's face.



Theta Chi's computer mobile
Independents protested automation.



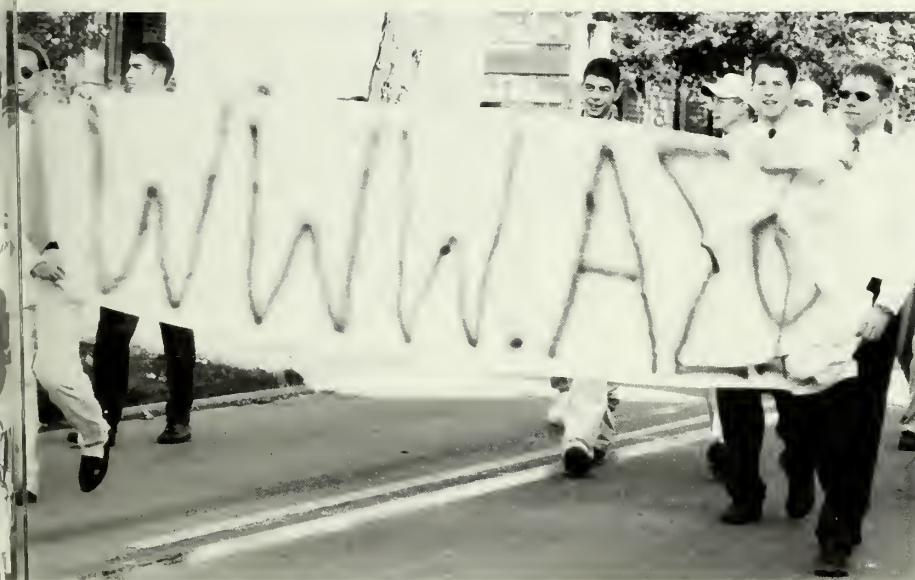


Andy Blatt speeds past his opponents.

Alpha Gams had spirit.



Kappa Delta candidate
Gwen Berkey with her
escort Brad Campbell.



Visit the Alpha Sigma Phi web site.



Jaron
Hilvosky
holds on to
the ball.

The women on campus had
their own football game to
celebrate homecoming.

Sean Toomy tapes up Jen Osgood's foot in the sports medicine room.

A late night study session



Catching some entertainment at the Down Under.

A girls' night out is always a fun way to spend time on the weekends.

Jen Jeffery and Jamie Machosky hung out at the old Phi Tau house this fall.

Smitty hams it up at Alpha Sig's haunted house.





These seniors got to spend some time together at the Ep's fall formal.



The Down Under provides great entertainment every weekend.



These girls braved the chilly fall weather to find some excitement.

These four took advantage of some scenic fall weather.

Jen Gardner and Kim Maraugh got all dressed up for Halloween festivities.

The Phi Tau crew



These seniors snuck out for a late night rock painting session.

Phi Mu got all dressed up for their fall formal.

Becky Skandera & Colleen Wilson





Nate Lesney and Julie Sharp relaxed at the Ep formal.



Theresa signed autographs for fans after her visit to the Down Under this fall.



Brownie Mary performed for a large crowd at the Down Under.

Zetas mixed with the Eps.

These three took some time out at the Ep formal for a photo.

Andy Blatt races for a touchdown.

Joe Blasco escapes a tackle.

The Titans use teamwork to crush the competition.



H	West Liberty State	W	13 - 7
A	Clarion	L	13 - 6
A	Trinity International	W	34 - 0
A	Tri-State	W	53 - 7
H	Walsh	W	28 - 14
A	Geneva	L	15 - 13
H	Tiffin	W	33 - 7
A	Urbana	W	51 - 0
H	Taylor	W	36-0
H	Malone	W	23 - 3
A	Clinch Valley	W	27 - 20
A	Findley	L	28 - 9

Coach Renninger goes over the next play with his team.

Harold Stargill studies his competition.





FOOTBALL —STRIVES— —FOR GOALS

After a great football camp and a double session in August, the Titans felt confident about this season. Long-term goals for the season included winning each game, going to the play-offs, and winning the conference and national championships. Senior Tom Dailey explained that the Titans also set goals for each game, such as scoring 20 points. The Titans have lived up to their expectations. By the end of the season,

Westminster ranked no. 1 in the nation for defense, and senior Andy Blatt broke the College record for touchdowns. Sophomore Kurt Gaebel believes that hard work and an extensive lifting program in the off-season helped the Titans to work toward their goals. This work paid off in big games such as the win over Malone and the tie with Geneva for the conference championship.



Some players get a quick water break before going on the field again.



The 1996 Titan Football Team

Dale Yecko makes his move.

Players make some excitement near the Titan net.



A	Point Park	L	2-1
H	St. Vincent	L	3-2
A	La Roche	W	3-2
A	Grove City	L	7-0
A	Alderson-Broadus	T	1-1
H	Slippery Rock	W	5-0
H	Roberts Wesleyan	W	5-4
A	Walsh	L	4-1
H	Geneva	W	3-2
H	Pitt-Bradford	W	6-2
A	Malone	L	3-1
H	Lake Erie	W	7-0
A	Grove City	T	1-1
H	Pitt-Johnstown	W	4-1
H	Houghton	L	3-1

Titan coaches and players congratulate each other on a great game.

Wes Moore guards his goal.





MEN'S SOCCER— —COMPLETED A— —SOLID SEASON

Under the direction of new head coach John Hall, the Westminster men's soccer team completed yet another winning season. Changes in the coaching staff due to former head coach Peter Macky's resignation for health reasons and changes in the lineup after losing several graduating

seniors may have stirred up the team, but strong performances by leading scorer junior forward Bill Van Ormer and leader in assists senior midfielder Jason O'Connell kept the team fighting. Highlighting the season was a 3-2 KECC victory over archrival Geneva in October.



The team prepares to warm up before a game.



The 1996 Men's Soccer Team

The women's team closes in on the competition.

Christine Paolini paces herself.

Christian Bauer still has his mind on the race even beyond the finish line.



The runners sprint towards the finish line.

Even after a grueling workout Rob Dietrich is all smiles.

Men's Team

Fisher Invitational	3rd of 3
Theil Invitational	2nd of 4
Malone Invitational	2nd of 5
Hiram Invitational	4th of 9
Mount Union Invitational	1st of 9
Grove City Invitational	5th of 5
KECC Championships	4th of 5

Women's Team

Fisher Invitational	1st of 5
Theil Invitational	1st of 7
Malone Invitational	1st of 3
Hiram Invitational	4th of 9
Mount Union Invitational	1st of 9
Grove City Invitational	3rd of 7
KECC Championships	2nd of 5



CROSS COUNTRY— —RUNS TO— —NATIONALS

The 1996 cross country season was full of high hopes for the fleet-footed Titan runners, coming off a strong performance last year. In a sport that is not for the feint of heart, the team can boast an outstanding turnout. Head coach of the women's team, Dr. Gary Lilly, is excited about this team that has so many strong athletes returning, as well as several competitive freshmen joining the efforts. Leading the women's team is junior Christine Paolini, whose second place finish at the KECC championships, held at Westminster, qualified her for the NAIA national championships in Wisconsin. The men's team, led by senior Tony Pizon, finished fourth in the KECC championships.



The 1996 Men's Cross Country Team



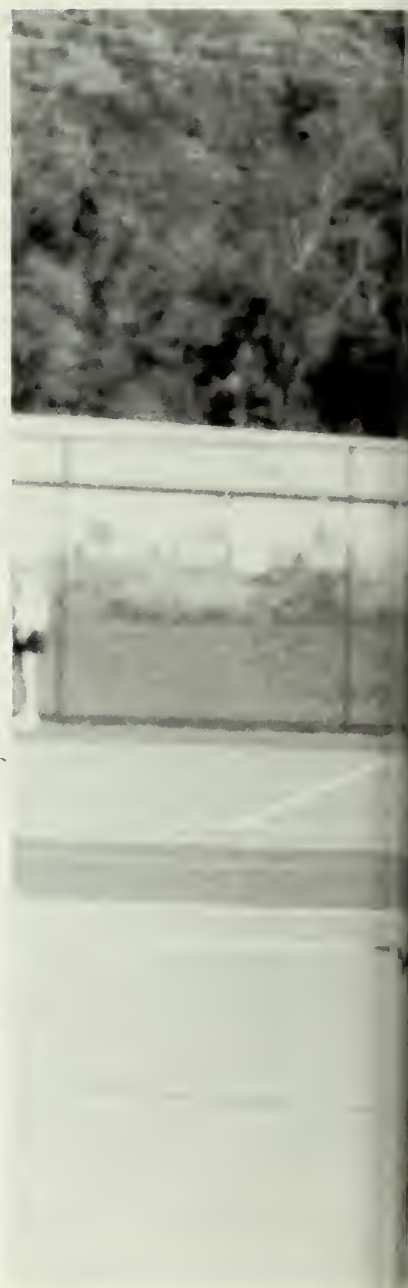
The 1996 Women's Cross Country Team

This Lady Titan saves a ball on the boundary line.

Renee Bassaly returns the volley.



Renee Bassaly concentrates on the return.



Sara Coffman stretches to hit the ball.

Shelly Hughes returns service.



A	La Roche	W	7-0
H	Seton Hill	W	9-0
A	Slippery Rock	L	6-1
H	Geneva	W	8-1
A	Seton Hill	W	9-1
H	La Roche	W	9-0
H	Mount Union	W	6-0
A	Geneva	W	6-3

KECC Championships 1st of 4

LADIES SHOW SPIRIT

The Women's tennis team, headed by Coach S. Kipley Haas, has enjoyed a fine season. They accomplished two preseason goals, winning both the KECC and the Northeast Regionals. While the team did not experience a good deal of change from last season, the Lady Titans added

several promising freshmen and new upperclass teammates. Next season, as during this season, the focus will be on continued growth as Westminster strives to be a NCAA Div. II contender. The competition will be tougher, but the Lady Titans will be prepared.



The 1996 Women's Tennis Team



Jennifer Croushore serves to her opponent.

Teammates watch the action from the sidelines.



Cheers from the sidelines encourage the other players.



The team relaxes before the big game.



Kelly Margo races for the ball.



The team sprints down the field to score another goal.

Friends & teammates: Wendy Cook and Jodi Chmielewski.



SHOOTING FOR VARSITY

A great deal of excitement has been generated by the women's soccer team this year due to the impending shift from a club sport to a varsity sport. For the past seven years, the women's soccer team has been a club sport, in which the players themselves had to raise funds to buy uniforms and pay official s . They played seven

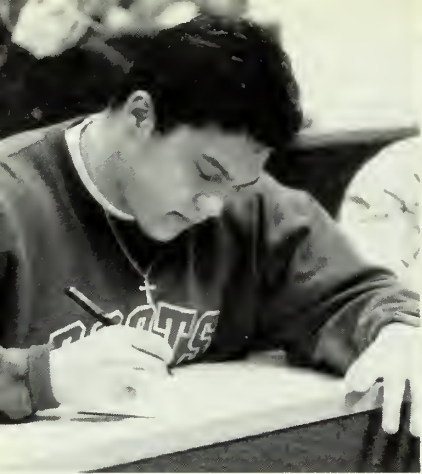
games this season against varsity and other club teams, and finished with a record of 3-4. Although the women's soccer team will lose 10 seniors at the end of this year, everyone is excited about the expanded schedule of 10 to 12 games next season and the transistion to varsity in the fall of 1998.



The Titan goalie sends the ball into play.



The 1996 Women's Soccer Team





Facilitating

Without involvement from the administration, faculty, and staff Westminster would not be much of a college at all. However, with the

Growth

deep concern shown for the students by this support network, Westminster is far from just another college - it becomes a home away from home to most of us.



In Memoriam

Dr. Peter W. Macky 1937 - 1997

Dr. Peter W. Macky, chair of the Department of Religion and Philosophy, passed away on April 10, 1997. Dr. Macky was a fascinating individual who led an full life.

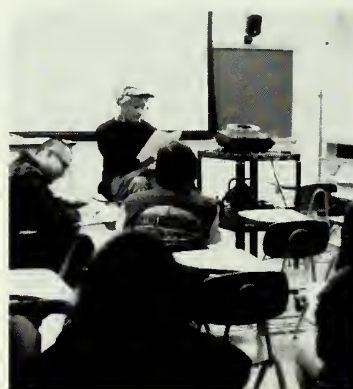
He was born in New Zealand and raised in Bermuda. He earned degrees from Harvard, Oxford, and

Princeton Theological Seminary. He was a minister, a flight test



engineer, and a teacher. An All-American athlete at Harvard, he introduced soccer to New Wilmington

youth. He joined the Westminster faculty in 1970 and had the reputation of being a tough but wonderful professor. Peter Macky is survived by his wife Nancy and their two sons. He will be greatly missed.



Chancellor Oscar Remick



Student Affairs



Residence Life Senior Staff



Health Center

A Close Look at the Career Center

Focus your dreams. Impact your world. These are the lessons taught at the College Career Center, under director Craig Mosurinjohn.

Westminster's Career Center prides itself on helping students at every stage of their decision process and career exploration. Featuring many resources and hands-on

assistance, the services offered include personal counseling and job search plans,



mock interviews and on-campus recruiters. The extensive internship program allows 85% of Westminster students to find in-

ternships in their disciplines.

This year also featured the first annual Senior Saturday in September, when seniors gained practical instruction on resumes, networking, and interviews.



Career Center



Academic Affairs



Development



Registrar's Office



AAIE

New Curriculum Stands the Test

This year is a landmark year for Westminster's English department because the graduating seniors are the first class to complete all four years of the new curriculum. The department has set several goals for its students, including the development of writing, speaking and problem solving skills, exposure to

critical theories, and the ability to conduct productive research. Students are encour-



aged to be independent in their abilities to write, research and speak. "I see students who are much more in

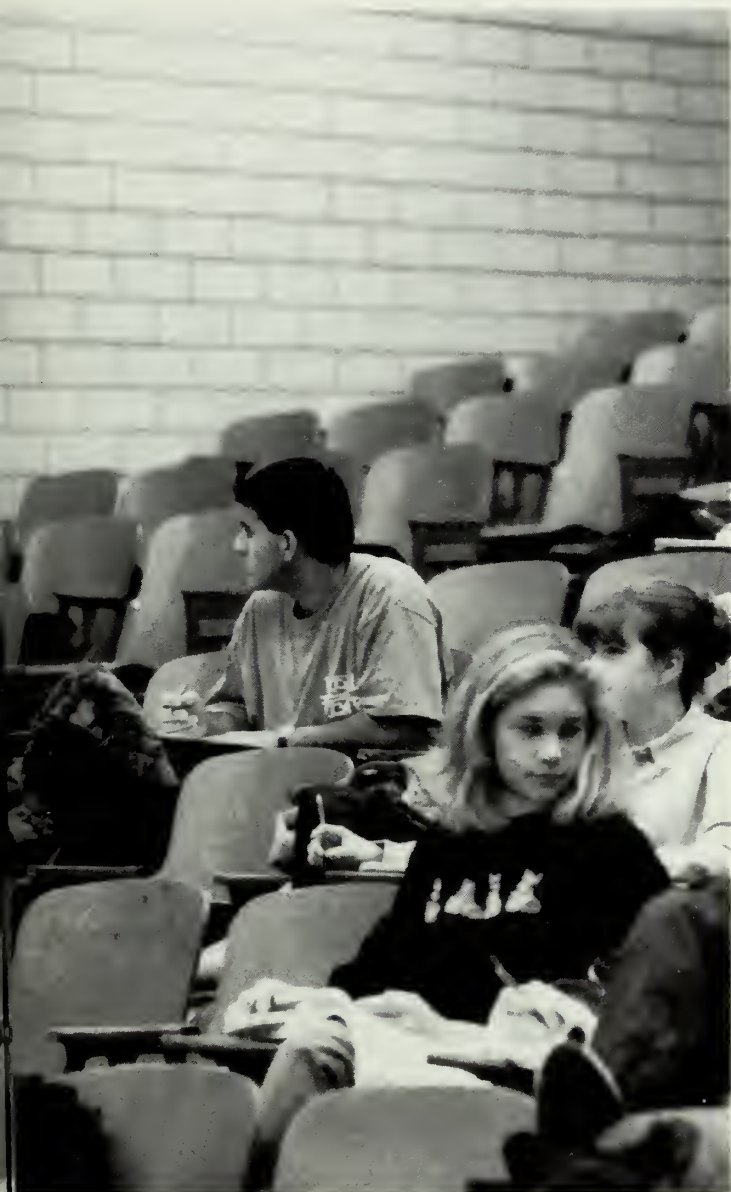
involved in the design and implementation of their education," states Dr. James Perkins, professor of English. "I think the new curriculum is working well," responded Dr. Betsy Ford. "Things need perfected, but we are working to keep it full of energy."



Physical Plant - Managerial Team



Physical Plant - Crafts



Physical Plant - Custodial



Physical Plant - Grounds

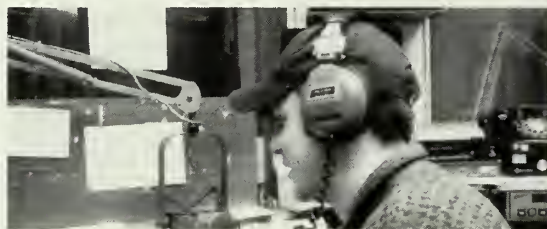
Communication

Merger Creates New Department

The departments of Theatre and Communications were surprised to hear that they were to be merged at the start of the year, but the faculty in both departments have been working diligently to make the best of the changes and to ensure the best education for their students.

Preliminary plans in-

cluded changing the traditional Speech 12 requirement into



Communications 101 and 102, which would take two semesters to complete.

Most of the requirements in the theatre

major will remain unchanged. The newly combined department has also undergone some faculty changes. Dr. David Barner, chair of the Department of Theatre and Communication

Studies, is working for a bright future for the new department.



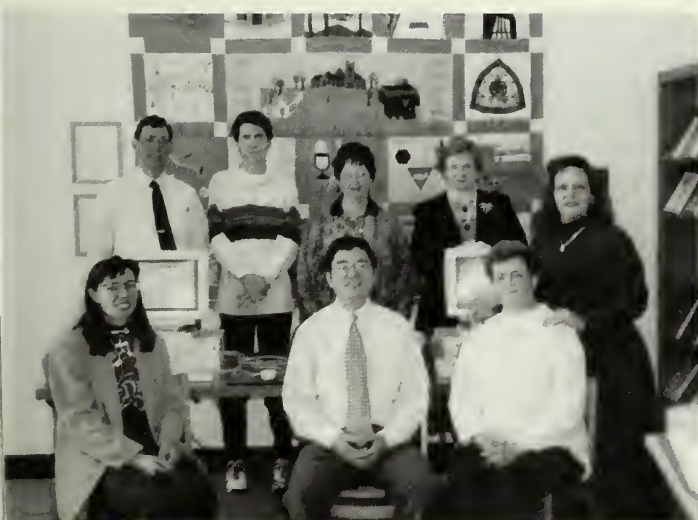
Athletics and Physical Education



Mailroom



Education



Library



Economics and Buisness Administration

Merging

Sociology and Political Science

Included in this year's changes was the merger of the former sociology and political science departments to form the Department of Sociology and Political Science.

This merger is a move toward administrative efficiency since the two relatively small pro-

grams did not require separate chairs. Dr. Gary Lilly was named



the chair of the new department and believes that the combination of the disciplines will have only

a positive effect on the programs.

The major task after the merger was organizing the curriculum. Drs. Nichols and Park led a class to Cuba in January. Faculty in both programs look

forward to the increased co-curriculum and an exciting future.



Political Science and Sociology



History



Foreign Languages



Music

Chemistry

Departmental Improvements

Westminster has been undergoing many changes this year including some in the chemistry department. Under chair Dr. Ken Long, significant curriculum changes have been made.

According to Dr. Long, the Chem 11 course has been added to aid students build a strong foun-

dation in many concepts. Several other courses have

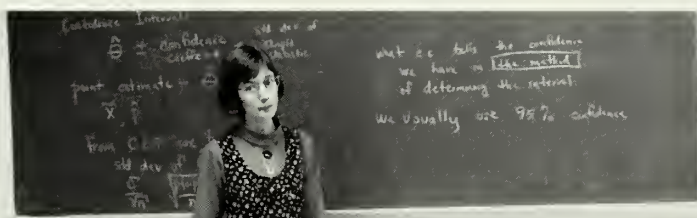


been retooled and reorganized in order to avoid confusion in the upper levels.

In addition, the chemistry depart-

ment has established three paths for completing the major: a professional chemist path, a high school chemistry teacher path and a pre-med/pre-dental path. All in all, these

changes are allowing the chemistry department to expand its horizons.



Math and Computer Science



Audio-Visual Department



Biology



Physics



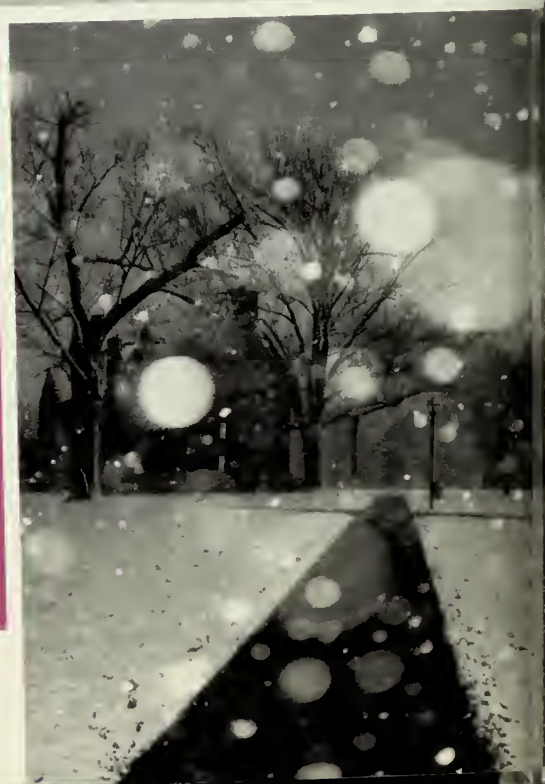
Psychology



Chemistry



*Seeing Winter's result,
both reflective and
shining brightly...*





Winter

Winter at Westminster is definitely a time of change - changing terms, changing scenery, and changing friendships. With the

Wonders

stress of finals, the thrill of J- term, and the excitement of Greek rush we hardly had time to think about the cold and snow. Some fortunate J- Term travellers didn't have to!



Holiday cheer

The spirit of the holidays was certainly alive at Westminster this winter in the numerous activities that marked the coming of the delightful holiday season for the campus community.

Festivities began immediately after Thanksgiving break. As everyone knows Christmas could never be complete without light. Like the star guiding the shepherd, Westminster shone brightly with the annual tree lighting ceremony sponsored by our own 89 FM. Here the campus saw for the first time the beautiful decorations around campus in all their splendor.

To add to the excitement, RHAB sponsored its annual door decorating contest, in which students were encouraged to dress up their doors and windows in the spirit of the season. The competition was rough as many students diligently went to work creating elaborate decorations complete with candy, lights and just about anything else that could remind them of Christmas (and sway the judges).

One of Westminster's most beloved Christmas time traditions has always been the annual Christmas vespers service. Families and friends joined students in Orr auditorium to sing carols, enjoy the beautiful melodies sung by the combined choirs, and listen to the reading of the Christmas story.

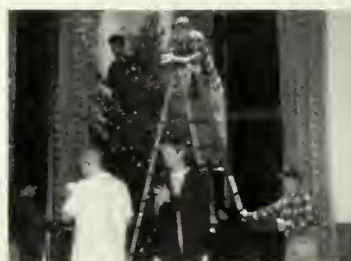
Many Greek organizations spread the joy of the season to the less fortunate through their service projects. Phi Mu and Sigma Phi Epsilon, as well as Zeta Tau Alpha and Sigma Nu held Christmas parties for area youth. Panhel sold Wendel August Forge tree ornaments for the Women's Shelter and donated canned food items. In this time of fun and celebration Westminster students kept in mind the true meaning of Christmas and showed that it truly is more blessed to give than to receive.



H e a t h e r
Rittenhouse
chats with a
friend wait-
ing for Santa.



B e c k y Ska-
n d e r a and Co-
l e e n Wilso-
n decorated
themselves.



C P C bright-
ens up the
TUB.





Dressed as Santa, Jason Mihalcin asks two children what they want for Christmas.

Christmas vespers is one of the most anticipated events on campus during the holiday season.



Taking a break after decorating the TUB.

Orr was decorated inside and out for vespers.



Members of CPC make their own ornaments for the TUB.

Closer to home

While some students spent J-term on far off excursions others spent the term a bit closer to home. Many students used the special term to take classes on campus that are out of their major field of study or to take classes that are not normally offered. Other students took a break from classes all together by working at internships or just going home to relax. Still other students had the opportunity to travel within the United States to New Mexico or to New York City.

A group of about 10 Westminster students joined 80 students from around the country to live and take classes on the Ghost Ranch, a Presbyterian ranch in Abiquin, New Mexico. The students could choose from black and white photography, ceramics, weaving, ancient Indian spirituality, creative writing, or watercolor art. Regardless of the chosen course students learned a little about the other courses at seminars offered throughout the month. Students also had time for hiking, skiing, bonfires, and hanging out with the other students. At the end of the month the students all participated in a student show where they could present their artwork to their new friends.

About 25 students in the Introduction to Theater class went with Drs. Lammel and Guthrie to New York City. The course started on campus with a week of class where students studied background on stage production and technique and had practice analyzing performances by watching The Piano Lesson by August Wilson. The second week was spent in New York where students saw Rent, A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum, Present Laughter, The Scams of Scapin, and A Master Class. The students also had some free time to shop, tour the city, and see some plays or musicals on their own. The last two weeks of class were spent back at Westminster where the students discussed their experiences in New York and compared them to lessons.



At a New Edition concert this January.

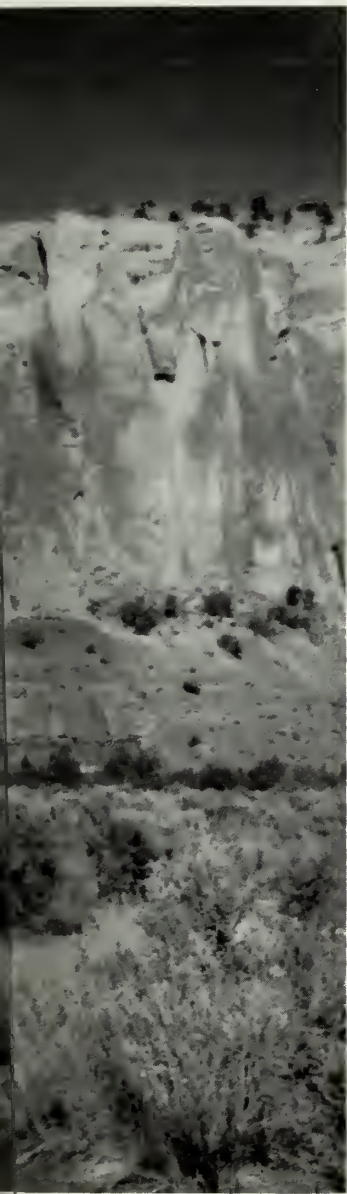


Students on campus endured a little snow.



Jessica Zeakes and Nickol Certo shop in New York's FAO Schwartz.





Courtney Anderson and John Wallin appreciate New Mexico's breathtaking landscape.

New York's famous Statue of Liberty.



Courtney Anderson, Keri Augusti and John Wallin spend some time out in the snow at the Ghost Ranch.



At home students cheered on the basketball team.

A view of New Mexico



NYC travellers dined together in the Motown Cafe.

January is prime time for road tripping as Amy Miller, Megan Stull and Courtney Hilbert show.

European excursions

Two groups of students travelled over to Europe this January for unforgettable experiences.

One group of forty students and their advisors, Dr. McTaggart and Dr. Betsy Ford made memories touring the great cities of Greece, Italy, and Switzerland this January. Their adventure began in Greece, where the group toured Athens and Delphi, viewing sights like the Acropolis and the Oracle and learning about ancient life and mythology. They then boarded ship for a two-day cruise on the Adriatic Sea. Upon arriving in Italy, the students experienced the famous waterways of Venice, touring the Piazza San Marco and a Venetian glass factory. In Florence the group saw the works of Michelangelo and Brunelleschi and enjoyed a taste of the Italian countryside at a vineyard outside of the city. They then explored the ruins of Rome, and were blessed by the Pope at the Vatican City. The students spent the last few days of their European trip in Zermatt, Switzerland.

Another group of 22 students along with Dean Mann and Dr. Pitman journeyed to England, Wales, and France for three weeks. The group studied history and architecture as they followed the path of William the Conqueror studying Norman churches and castles. They began their travels in England at Regents College which served as their "home base." At the college they listened to several lectures. They also took some bus tours and two and three day overnight trips to various towns in the country. One of those trips was to Durham in Northern England where the class lived in a castle for three days. The class visited several cities on both the English and French sides of the English Channel the travelled to inland France. While in France they visited Paris and a carnival city. The trip ended back where it began - at Regents College in London.



Cruising from Greece to Italy.

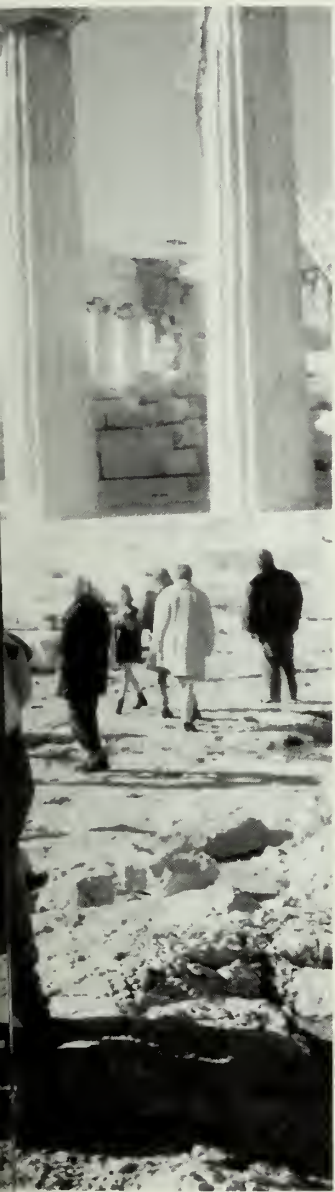


At the final group dinner in London.



Peg Zinz and Mary Whiteman take a pause in their sight seeing.





Shannon Siniawski, Aimee Saginaw, and Erica Burner visited the Acropolis in Greece.

Diverging from William the Conquerer's path these travellers viewed the Eiffel Tower in Paris.



Taking a break in Sienna, Italy.



Stopping at one of the world's ancient wonders: Stone Henge

Students on the England/Wales/France trip had a chance to see the "changing of the guard."



Molly Sander, Shannyn Smith, and Heather Campbell in Venice.

Southern travel

Three J-Term classes traveled to southern countries this year. Drs. Kristen Park and W. Thomas Nichols took 15 students to study the culture, politics, and traditions of Cuba. Dr. Clarence Harms took 19 students to Ecuador to study ecology. Drs. Amanda Castro and Zachary Zuwiyya took 18 students to Guatemala to study culture and ethnic diversity.

The Cuba class began with one week of intense on-campus class work, and then embarked on its two-week journey that started in the capital city of Havana. They toured various museums, schools, and hospitals, and met with the Federation of Cuban Women to discuss the changing roles of women and family. They also attended a party thrown by the Young Communist League. The final stop on the trip was the Isle of Youth. The class saw the model prison where Fidel Castro had been imprisoned, and they toured the cell where he had written one of his famous works.

The Ecuador class had met throughout the first semester to prepare for their first week of in-class work and three weeks of hands-on study. The class spent their first week hiking and canoeing in the rainforest, then took some short trips around Quito visiting a cloud forest, markets, and the Equatorial Monument. The next big trip was a week hiking, scuba diving, and snorkeling, on and around the Galapagos Islands. Finally the trip ended with a trip to the top of Cotopaxi volcano.

The Guatemala class was based in Antigua. Each student lived with a host family and attended class at one of the many language schools in the town. The students attended lectures, had group discussions, and took one-on-one daily Spanish classes. The group took trips each weekend such as one to the Mayan ruins in Tikal and one to Copan, Honduras.



Meri Beth Gubanic, Toni Janosko, and the tortoises.



Amy Bialek studies the wildlife.



Dr. Nichols and a 1930 convertible.





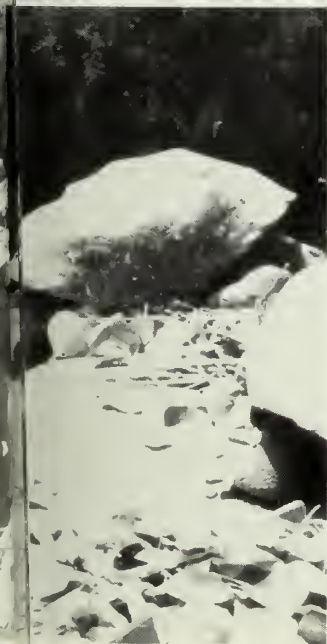
Mark Diehl and the tour guide Elsa pose with a guard outside a government building in Ecuador.

Mala Milkovich talks to a class in Cuba.



Dr. Nichols and his students enjoy the beautiful weather in Nassau.

These students enjoyed a night out in Guatemala.



Guatemala provided fun in the sun for these students.

Chaleen Shephard and Laura Babcock get close to the tortoses in Ecuador.



Jim Holley at the El Morro fortress in Havana.

Sisterhood forever

Planning for Spring Rush actually began in the fall, as 95 freshman and independent women signed up for rush and sororities began planning activities. Finally February 5 arrived, bringing with it the excitement of formal rush. This year, rush consisted of three nights of parties. On the first night, rushees attend informational parties at each of the five sororities. Themes of these parties included "True Colors" at Kappa Delta and the 70's at Alpha Gamma Delta.

On the second night of rush, through the mutual selection process, rushees attended three rounds of parties. Here, some sororities presented a video of their sisters or a skit, such as the Phi Mu Grease skit or Zeta Tau Alpha's Brady Bunch skit.

Final night of rush was, as usual, the most serious of the three nights. Rushees attend two parties-their final two choices. Seniors gave speeches recalling special memories of times spent with sisters. It was an emotional night for both sisters and rushees.

Saturday, "Pick-up day", was probably the most exciting day for the sororities on campus. It was a day to see who would be leading their sororities into the next century. Armed with balloons and t-shirts, sorority women met their new sisters in Orr Auditorium. After pick-up, the day was dedicated to sisterly bonding and informal activities. Sigma Kappa pledge Dana Toth described rush as a hectic week but also a great opportunity to meet new people.



Seniors Colleen Wilson & Jessica Banazak at their last pick-up day.



Greek unity even on pick-up day.



New K-Dee pledges chill out.





Friends beyond Greek bonds.

Underneath all of those yellow, red, and green balloons are the Alpha Gams going to meet their pledges.



Zeta pledges pose on "the wall."



Kelly Williams and Kate Wiley share a pick-up day moment.
Sig Kaps greet their pledges with cheers.



Phi Mus brave the cold to greet their "brand new Phis."

Kappa Delta shows off its unity.

Brotherhood bonds

Fraternity rush is far less formal than sorority rush, but no less exciting for the brothers of each fraternity and the rushees. Fraternities, like sororities, use the deferred rush system, which gives everyone the fall and January terms to get acquainted before rush formally begins in the early Spring.

This was the first year that freshmen were allowed in fraternity houses on registered party nights during the fall semester, thanks to the new security regulations adopted by the Interfraternity Council. Freshman and independent men not only had the opportunity to meet brothers at parties, but also through fraternity sponsored events throughout the fall, such as Theta Chi's fall barbecue.

"Formal" rush for men began well after sorority rush. Each house held a smoker for the rushees, at which skits and videos were presented and rushees were able to interact with the brothers.

Round Robins were held on the night before pick-up day, during which all houses were open to rushing men. On this night, the final decisions were made by the brothers and the rushees. As with sorority pick-up day, fraternity pick-up day is one of the most important days of the year for fraternity men. The fraternities not only get wrapped up in the excitement of welcoming new brothers into their bond, but also in the competition of trying win the coveted "Best Pick-Up Day" paddle at Sing 'n Swing in May. Members of each sorority and fraternity and independent representatives chosen by IFC advisor Coach Renninger walked from house to house throughout the day to judge the fraternities on events such as breakfast, pick-up, and afternoon activities.



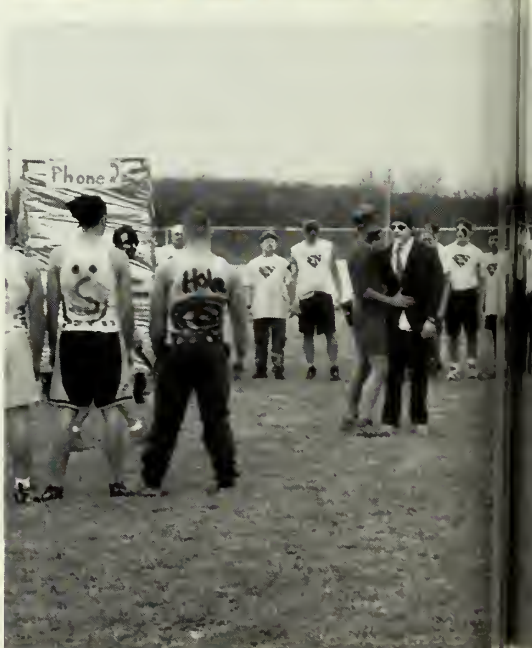
Sigma Nu's "Nu Men of steel."



The brothers of ΑΣΦ surround their pledges.



Kilted Phi Taus greet their new pledges.





Sean Stallbaum and Matt McConell lead their Theta Chi brothers back to their house.

The Eps march somberly to the center of the field where they will greet their pledges.



Alpha Sig pledges in their new circle of brothers.



Sigma Nu provided their own music this year.

Sigma Nu's pick-up day show.



Senior Eps Mike McMurray and Jim Towers attend pick-up day *in cognito*.

The new "Bravehearts" of Phi Tau get some brotherly tackles.

Phi Tau brothers take a tumble in their kilts.



Kappa Delta sisters are all smiles about their new pledges.



The Rho Chis gather for one last time before rejoining their sisters.



Zetas get ready to greet their new sisters with smiles, hugs, and lots of cheers.

Mike Miller and Steve Conklin keep an eye on the festivities after they pick up their new Theta Chi brothers.





"Always Kappa Delta"

Jens Jorgenson adds some drama to guys' pick-up.



The newest Alpha Sigs unite.



These Alpha Gams brought their own mascot to pick-up day.

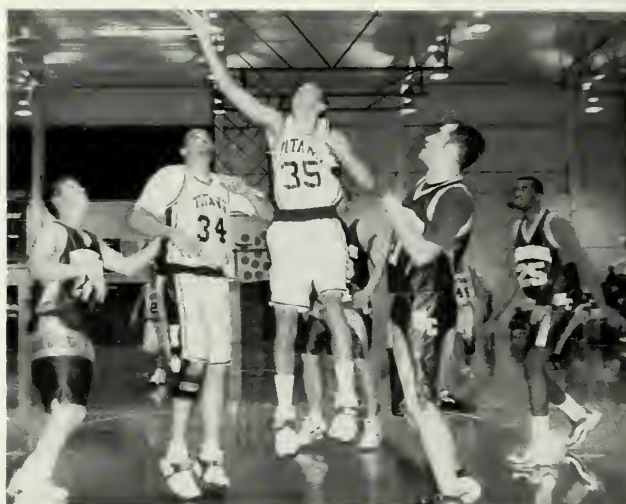
The Eps coffin is a familiar sight on pick-up day.

Phi Mu friends of all ages.

Ryan Core scores two more points for the Titans.

Deean Haggerty blocks a Houghton player as Kevin Dill makes a basket.

Number 35, Kevin Dill focuses on the basket.



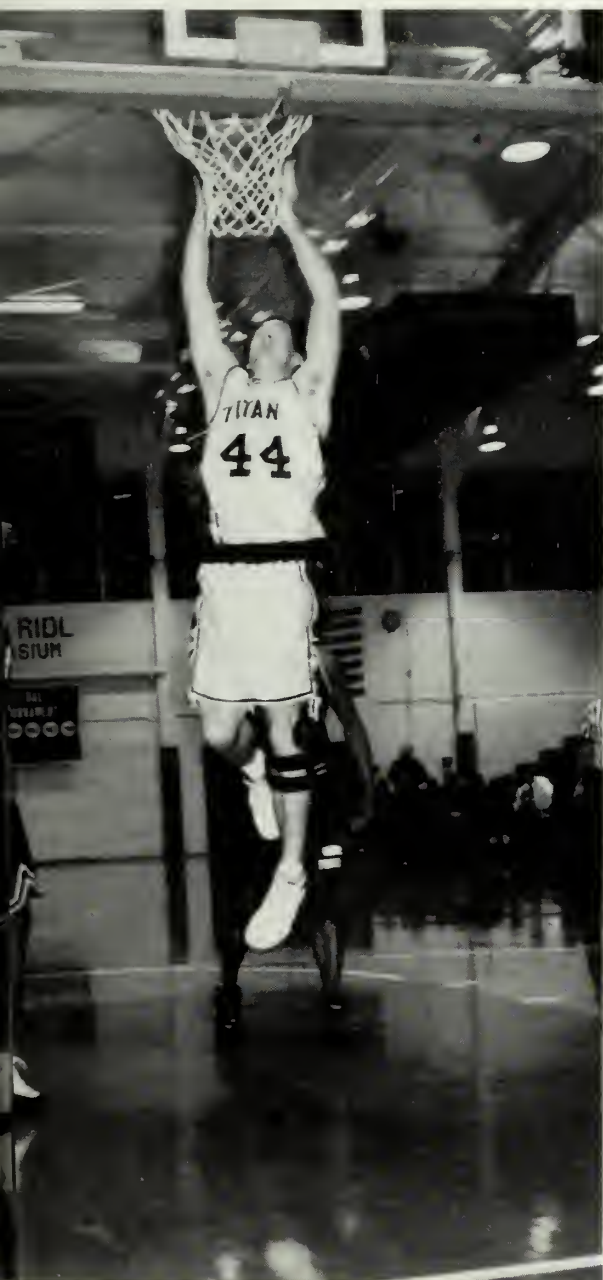
H Concord	W	79-78
A Salem-Teikyo	W	81-77
H Sheridan	W	93-80
H Slippery Rock	W	102-58
H John Carroll	L	68-80
H Medialle	W	87-43
H Slippery Rock	W	77-53
H Northern Kentucky	L	63-64
H St. Francis(IL)	W	87-70
A Mansfield	L	85-88
H Coker	W OT	75-72
A Rollins	W	70-69
H Allegheny	L	55-59
H Roberts Wesleyan	W	84-69

H Daeman	W	62-57
A Point Park	W	85-75
H Geneva	W	85-74
A Roberts Wesleyan	L	64-85
A Pitt-Johnstown	W	79-67
A St. Vincent	W	75-57
H Point Park	L	76-93
A Geneva	W	69-65
H St. Vincent	W	77-60
H Houghton	L	74-76
A Houghton	W	77-75
A Daeman	W	66-52
H Roberts Wesleyan	W	80-65
H Point Park	L	63-67

Coach Galbreath goes over plays during a time out.

Deean Haggerty jumps high for the basket.





Congratulations to Jim Delsandro on earning 1000 points.

—SHOOTING— —FOR THE— —STARS—

The men's basketball team, under the experienced leadership of Coach Ron Galbreath, experienced a year of heroes and bittersweet glory. The Titan hoopsters led the KECC for most of the regular season, closing with a record of 19-7, 9-3 KECC.

The team earned the KECC regular season crown for the fourth consecutive year, earning the #1 seed and a first round bye in the championships. In a heart-breaking loss to

Point Park in the final game, the Titans finished with a record of 20-8, 10-4 KECC.

This was also a season of personal records. Senior point guard Jim Delsandro hit the 1000 point milestone, only the third point guard at Westminster to do, and was named an NAIA second team All-American for the second consecutive year.

Coach Galbreath became the 36th active college coach to post 500 career victories.



The 1996 Titan Basketball Team

—SHOOTING— —SOME— —HOOPS—

The Lady Titan basketball team, under Coach Jim Turner, had a great season on the court, and aided many people in the process. The team worked hard this season and made the division semifinals. They won their first semifinal game against Geneva but lost the second game to St. Vincent. Sophomore Jonelle Kish stated that “it was really disappoint-

ing losing the second game, but we have lots of talent. I’m looking forward to next season.” The team participated in a tournament at Bethany College, and took a trip to New York. The lady Titans also participated in a three-point contest against the men’s team to raise money for the American Cancer Society.



Deanna Kaczynski aims for the basket.



Congratulations to Deanna Kaczynski on earning over 1000 points.

Carrie Banaszak spikes the ball over the net.

Carrie Banaszak and Anna Bestwick use teamwork to get the ball over the net.

Carrie Banaszak makes a serve.



H Lake Erie	W	3-0	A Houghton	L	3-2
H Hiram	W	3-0	A Pitt-Bradford	W	3-0
H Anderson	W	3-0	H Point Park	L	3-0
H Columbus State	W	3-0	A Carlow	L	3-0
H Denison	W	3-2	H St. Francis	L	3-2
H Case Western Reserve	W	3-1	H Lock Haven	L	3-0
H Theil	W	3-0	A Clarion	L	3-0
A La Roche	W	3-0	A Roberts Wesleyan	W	3-2
H Hiram	W	3-2	H Seton Hill	L	3-1
H West Liberty State	W	3-0	H Houghton	L	3-2
H Point Park	W	3-0	A Geneva	W	3-2
H Carlow	W	3-0	H Penn State-Berhend	W	3-0
H Carlow	W	3-0	A Grove City	W	3-2
A Theil	W	3-0	A St. Vincent	W	3-2
H Pitt-Bradford	W	3-0	A Point Park	W	3-2
A Seton Hill	W	3-2	H Roberts Wesleyan	W	3-2
A Geneva	W	3-1	H Carlow	W	3-2
A Mount Vernon Nazarene	L	3-0	A Houghton	L	3-0
H Mount St. Joseph	L	3-0	H Seton Hill	L	3-1
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H St. Vincent	W	3-0	H Seton Hill	L	3-1

Anna Bestwick and Jessica Fafflik are ready for the ball.

Amy Barley and Danielle Kean celebrate another win.



—VOLLEYBALL— —SPIKES IT— —HOME—



The team gathers together before a game.

The Lady Titan Volleyball team had a solid season this year. Coach Tammy Swearigen had high expectations since numerous letter winners were returning to the team. Her goals were to win the conference and regional championships. The season started off better than anyone expected. The spikers shot out of the starting gate, winning their first 17 games decisively. But injuries and illness mid-sea-

son curtailed hopes. The team lost 11 of their next 15 games. "We are the most athletic team in the KECC, player for player. We just had a slow mid-season," Swearigen said. The team finished strong, winning 8 of its last 11 games. Seniors Leigh O'Shane and Amy Barkley posted their best seasons ever. Their final record was 28-14, 9-5 KECC, and they earned the distinction of second team all KECC.



The 1996 Women's Volleyball Team

Warming up with a butterfly stroke

The women's relay team in action



Men's

A Edinboro relays	1st of 5 teams
A Mount Union	W 56-38
H Buffalo State	W 64-29
H Edinboro	W 123-74
A Clarion Invitational	5th of 8 teams
A Slippery Rock	L 117-86
H Allegheny	W 12-70
H Grove City	W 115.5-91.5
H Gannon	W 106-77
A Carnegie Mellon	W 132-73
Penn-Ohio Conference Meet	
	2nd of 7 teams
NAIA National Championships	
	7th place

Women's

A Edinboro relays	2nd of 5 teams
A Mount Union	W 63-32
H Buffalo State	W 64-29
H Edinboro	W 123-74
A Clarion Invitational	5th of 8 teams
A Slippery Rock	L 115-68
H Allegheny	L 162-38
H Grove City	L 122-73
H Gannon	L 110-79
A Carnegie Mellon	L 115-69
Penn-Ohio Conference Meet	
	4th of 8 teams
NAIA National Championships	
	14th place

Glenn Giles takes a warm up lap.

Jason Ingersoll butterflys his way across the pool.





The Men's Swim Team

—SWIMMING— —FOR— —NATIONALS

The men's and women's swimming teams, both under the direction of Coach Rob Klamut, posted an up and down season this year. They broke several pool records at the Natatorium and abroad.

The men's team made a strong showing at the Penn-Ohio Conference Championships by placing second out of seven

teams. The women also swam strong, placing fourth out of eight teams.

The teams sent 18 swimmers, 12 men and 6 women, to the NAIA Championships in Seattle, Wash. The men's team placed seventh, compared to 10th last year, and the women placed 14th, one better than their 15th place finish last season.



The Women's Swim Team

Cheerleaders prepare to pump up the crowd at a football game.
The cheerleaders make some noise for the Titans.



The cheerleaders show appreciation for their coach, Mary Jane Hamed.



The football cheerleaders strike a pose.

The cheerleaders kick up their heels after a touchdown.





—SHOWING— —TITAN— —SPIRIT—

Students attend Titan Sporting events for entertainment and to support their school's teams. But, they may not always realize who really gets the crowd on its feet. This job lies mainly in the hands of eight young ladies who know what school spirit is all about.

This year's squad, captained by Elaine Fittipaldo and Christina Nalli, helped to encour-

age spirit at Titan football and basketball games. The cheerleaders also participate in the Homecoming parade, decorate for athletic department luncheons, and judge high school cheerleading competitions.

Fittipaldo feels that this year's squad "fulfilled their obligation of school spirit." "I feel we did the job," she says.



The 1996-1997 Titan Cheerleaders





Greek

Few individuals in the ten Greek social organizations on campus can say that they have remained unchanged by their

Involvement

involvement. Greek life helps students have fun on campus while improving their leadership skills, getting them involved in helping others, and forcing them to cooperate to get jobs done.



The Sisters of Kappa Delta

Christina McClimins and Lucy Hoch portray prepare to crawl the web at Homecoming.



Seniors enjoy a night of sister bonding.

Sisters had a chance to unwind at the "Mardi Gras" date party in November.



KAPPA DELTA

"Our positive attitudes, spirit, expectations of each other, unity and overall sisterhood have risen to new heights. The sisters of Kappa Delta now realize more than ever that through the love and support of those within our circle ANYTHING is possible."

-Jennifer Webb

96 ♦ OFFICERS ♦ 97

PRESIDENT - Lori Nyce
VICE PRESIDENT - Jen Webb
SECRETARY - Susan Clancy
TREASURER - Tara Fairman

COLORS

Olive Green and Pearl White

MASCOT

Teddy Bear

PHILANTHROPIES

Child Abuse Prevention
Harmarville Rehabilitation Center

SIGMA PHI EPSILON

"Through changes in the brotherhood, in our house, and in our community involvement, we are always working to develop a more positive image."

-Scott Dietz

96 ♦ OFFICERS ♦ 97

PRESIDENT - Tom Newcomer

VICE PRESIDENT - Mike McMurray

SECRETARY - Scott Dietz

TREASURER - Joe Butcher

COLORS

Red and Purple

MASCOT

Sheep

PHILANTHROPY

New Castle Salvation Army



Brothers walk in line to meet their new pledge class.

Sharing some laughs at their fall formal



The Brothers of Sigma Phi Epsilon



These Eps enjoy a little joking around.

Sister bonding and broom hockey.



All dressed up for the fall formal

Getting ready for a poodle skirted rush party.

PHI MU

"I would like to see Phi Mu stay active on campus while maintaining their excellence in academics."

-Mary Carney

96 ♦ OFFICERS ♦ 97

PRESIDENT - Cari Mester

VICE PRESIDENT - Allyson Geiger

SECRETARY - Christina Cavelli

TREASURER - Jill Addleman

COLORS

Rose and White

MASCOT

Lion

PHILANTHROPIES

Children's Miracle Network

Project Hope



The Sisters of Phi Mu

The Brothers of Phi Kappa Tau



The seniors form a pyramid at the wine and cheese party.



PHI KAPPA TAU

"The biggest change I'd like to see is greater unity among the fraternities. A little rivalry is good but we need more unity."

-Rob Dietrich

96 ♦ OFFICERS ♦ 97

PRESIDENT - Aaron Schulman

VICE PRESIDENT - Jeff Gonzales

SECRETARY - Chad Hamilton

TREASURER - J.R. Evans

COLORS

Old Gold and Harvard Red

FLOWER

Red Carnation

PHILANTHROPY

Hole in Wall Gang



"Braveheart" themed pick-up day activities.



Brothers enjoy a party night.

The Sisters of Alpha Gamma Delta

Sisters got to mix in Halloween style at Alpha Sigs.



Posing at the formal

Theses sisters are all dressed up for the perfect photo op.



ALPHA GAMMA DELTA

"Alpha Gamma Delta is always changing to meet the needs of its members. With every pledge class that is picked up we gain new perspectives. We are changing as a whole but at the same time we are maintaining our individual identities."

-Jill Allison

96 ♦ OFFICERS ♦ 97

PRESIDENT - Courtney Collier

VICE PRESIDENT - Shawnee Voelp

SECRETARY - Jill Allison

TREASURER - Susanne Stokes

COLORS

Red, Buff, and Green

MASCOT

Squirrel

PHILANTHROPY

Juvenile Diabetes Foundation

ALPHA SIGMA PHI

"Our chapter has really turned around a lot in the last few years; I'd like to see that momentum keep on going."

-Nate Williams

96 ♦ OFFICERS ♦ 97

PRESIDENT - Jim Lucchino

VICE PRESIDENT - Tom Ayres

SECRETARY - Chip Stapleton

TREASURER - David Repp

COLORS

Cardinal and Stone

MASCOT

Phoenix

PHILANTHROPY

Canine Companions



Pledges join the circle of brotherhood.

Hanging out together strengthens brotherly ties.



The Brothers of Alpha Sigma Phi



Looking dashing at their date party.

Sisters get in to a little "Mistletoe Madness."

All dressed up ... some seniors pose together.



ZETA TAU ALPHA

"I've seen in our new pledge class a lot of interest in the sorority and a lot of new enthusiasm."
-Stacey Mack

96 ♦ OFFICERS ♦ 97

PRESIDENT - Colleen Wilson

VICE PRESIDENT - Beth Addis

SECRETARY - Becky Skandera

TREASURER - Joy Bosel

COLORS

Turquoise and Steel Grey

MASCOT

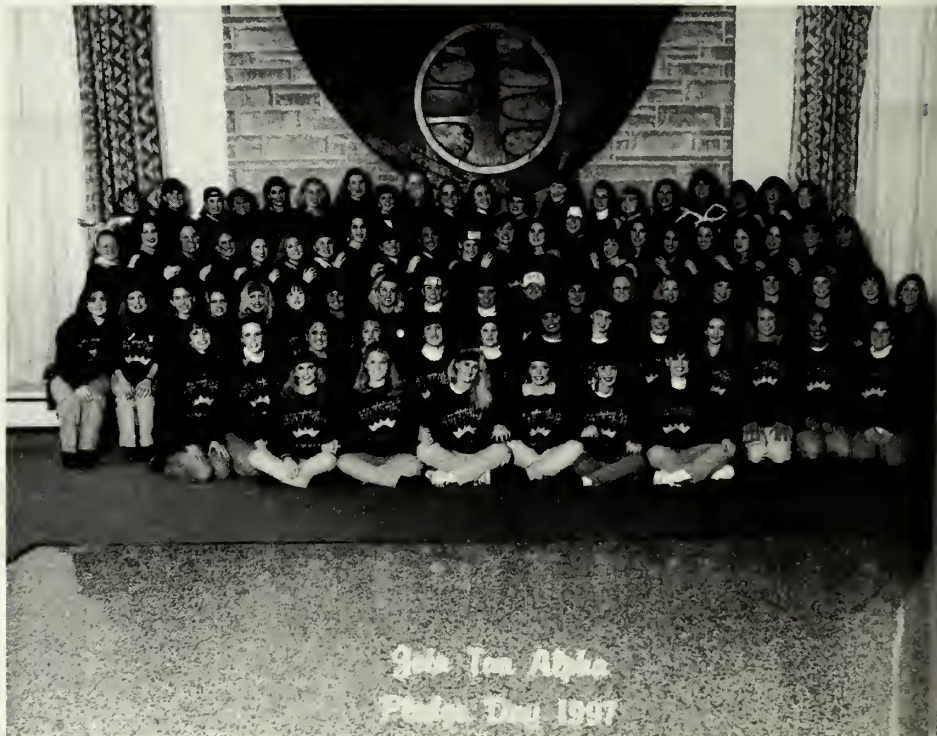
Bunny

PHILANTHROPY

Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation



Colleen Wilson and Beth Addis at the Zeta Convention in New Orleans. The Westminster chapter of Zeta Tau Alpha was one of only 25 in the nation to receive the "Silver Award."



The Sisters of Zeta Tau Alpha

Rob Lytle, Ben Kelly, and Alan McNight take a family picture.



Joe Reinhart and Rob Lytle enjoy a relaxing evening.



THETA CHI

96 ♦ OFFICERS ♦ 97

PRESIDENT - Denny Wolfe

VICE PRESIDENT - John Sloane

SECRETARY - Scott Hallam

TREASURER - Pat Herbst

COLORS

Military Red and White

MASCOT

Bull

PHILANTHROPY

New Castle City Rescue Mission



The excitement of pick-up day is evident on the faces of these pledges.

Jason Call and Rob Roy perform for their brothers.

The Sisters of Sigma Kappa

These seniors gather together on their last pick-up day.



Elegant ladies partying at their formal.

Sisters hang out together at the Theta Chi date party.



SIGMA KAPPA

"As president I hope to promote unity within our sorority changing the viewpoint from merely a group of women to a sisterhood of friends."

-Melinda Nellis

96 ♦ OFFICERS ♦ 97

PRESIDENT - Sherri Whiteman
VICE PRESIDENT - Angie Yearick
SECRETARY - Carrie Dorfield
TREASURER - Christy Foreman

COLORS

Lavendar and Maroon

MASCOT

Panda

PHILANTHROPIES

Alzheimer's Research
Gerontology
Maine Sea Coast Mission

SIGMA NU

"I would like to see Sigma Nu get more involved with activities. Our new advisor, Steve Montgomery, will help get us on the right path."

-Jason Borgesi

96 ♦ OFFICERS ♦ 97

PRESIDENT - Sean McConahy

VICE PRESIDENT - Mike Ross

SECRETARY - Dave Mariner

TREASURER - Bill Dominick

COLORS

Gold and Black

MASCOT

Snake

PHILANTHROPIES

American Cancer Society

Sankey Youth



Superman themed pick-up day.

The pledges watch the performance while waiting to officially become "NuMen of Steel."



Pledges are led to pick-up day.



Brothers promoted their spring philanthropy project in the TUB.



*Renewed in spring
to culminate in
releasing light...*





Spring

Spring at Westminster
is filled with tradition.

This year spring
brought our traditional
dance theater
performance, little sibs

Finale

weekend, Volleyrock,
and Greek Week. New
celebrations such as
Earth Day were added
to the school calendar.
Seniors bid farewell to
their home away from
home with Senior
Week and with
Commencement.



Springtime entertainment

Although our blistery March weather did not give us any signs of the approaching Spring events around the campus did.

Traditional events such as Little Sibs weekend and Dance Theatre provided a break from the doldrums of winter and anticipation for the Spring to come.

This year's Little Sibs weekend was held on March 7, 8, and 9 with an environmental theme of "What a Wonderful World." About 200 students and little sibs (or little relatives, or little friends) participated in the weekend's events.

These events included the movies "Pocahontis" and "Medicine Man," performers Rick Kelly and Taylor Mason, a visit from the zoo, and a paper recycling activity. Along with the events that were especially planned for them, little sibs could also enjoy other events that weekend such as the Dance Theatre performance.

Dance Theatre members once again gave the campus a performance to be proud of on May 6 through 8. The forty members of Dance Theatre were under the direction of Regina Sharbaugh for the many months of practice that went into the performance. Earlier in the year dancers choreographed dances and auditioned for parts in each other's dance numbers. The styles of dance varied from ballet to tap to modern. In addition to their annual Spring Performance the Dance Theatre members had a Winter Exhibition at the Westminster College Women's Club banquet and had a Dance Camp fundraiser on April 26 for area children. Dancers, however, are not the only performers we have on campus. Theatre Westminster's third performance of the year was held during the next weekend. Carrie Bartock, Janet Moeslin, and Becky Rickard starred in the play "Vanities." The play followed the friendship of three women from their high school days in the early 1960's, to their college days in the late 1960's, to their adulthood in the mid 1970's. Sororities were invited for "Sorority Night" on Thursday March 13 after which a discussion on women's roles in society was held by sociology majors Debora Wallace and Brian Kiggins.



Little and big sibs got close to a snake.



Plagued with boy problems.



Welcome station and registration for Little Sibs.





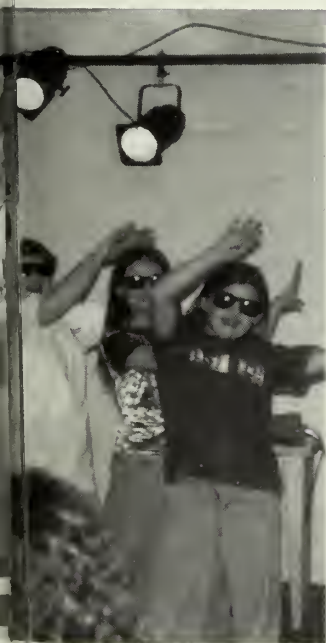
The girls are busy planning the big home-coming dance in Vanities.

Some "Big Sibs" show off the Wonderful World banner.



Characters appear to grow up by primping between acts on stage.

Captivating entertainment kept both little and big sibs happy.



Members of Dance Theatre pose before their Spring Performance.

Rick Kelly jams with some little sibs.

Battling weather

Upon our return from Spring Break many of us were excited about the upcoming Spring Events and our thoughts were turned to sunshine and shorts as we moved back on that sunny Easter afternoon. A sudden snowstorm just days later made some of us wonder if we were EVER going to see spring weather.

Through those chilly early days of April we still got involved in traditional spring events. Campus women (and men) braved the cold on the evening of April 17 to attend Take Back the Night, a march and rally sponsored by the Lawrence County

Women's Shelter/ Rape Crisis Center and Panhel. The event, held annually at the college, is intended to increase the awareness of both women and men to issues of domestic violence and sexual assault.

The weather slowly warmed so that students could spend some time outside for Volleyrock (though most of us still weren't daring enough to spend the time in much less than jeans and sweatshirts). Although it is an annual tradition CPC always manages to add some new twist to the fun. This year in addition to the games, music, and wings the celebration was topped off with a spectacular fireworks display.

By the last weekend of April we could finally say that spring had arrived. What better way to enjoy a sunny Saturday afternoon than with an Earth Day celebration? SAVE, 89FM, and CPC got together to bring the campus a day of valuable ecological education, live musical entertainment, and of course food (thanks to Marriott). The event was a great success and something to look forward to in years to come.



Relaxing before Volleyrock.



Lisa Wilson and Nancy Perot at Earth Day.



A Volleyrocker spikes one over the net.





Chad Hamilton and Bill Gardner spin some tunes to put the ROCK in Volleyrock.

Angela Stover concentrates as she serves the ball.



Some fast walking kept Take Back the Night marchers a little warmer.

One of the many bands at Earth Day takes the stage in the amphitheater.



Careful to stay behind the line Mark Ayres serves. Hot chocolate in hand marchers await the speakers in the amphitheater.



Students were given the opportunity to become more environmentally aware at Earth Day.

Dueling Greeks

The traditional Greek Week activities are meant to foster support and unity, ironically through a competitive atmosphere, among the five sororities and five fraternities on campus. These events are designed to showcase the spirit, athleticism, and academic prowess of Westminster's Greek community.

This year's senior chairs were Kappa Delta's Beth Smith and Sigma Phi Epsilon's Jared Tomko, who were assisted by junior chairs Jen Jeffrey of Phi Mu and Jason Borgesi of Sigma Nu. The chairs, along with a committee made up of representatives from each of the Greek organizations, were responsible for planning each event and activity during Greek Week.

Competitive events ranged from softball, football, and basketball to three-legged soccer and the Greek Feud. The annual Greek Olympics featured the hysterically funny mattress race, anything-that-floats, tug-of-war, and medley races.

Sigma Kappa's Miss Titan pageant was held on Wednesday evening. This year's beautiful boys were as feisty as ever, and Doc McTaggart was wound up himself. This year's winner was Miss Kappa Delta, Ben Weber.

On Thursday, speakers addressed the Greeks on the subject of date rape.

Saturday's Sing-N-Swing competition rounded out the weeks activities. Here, with the general theme of "places", each fraternity and sorority sang along to a prepared dance and had a blast showing off their talents. This year's winners were Alpha Gamma Delta with "Outer Space" and Sigma Phi Epsilon with "Elvis Places". The overall Greek Week winners were also announced - Kappa Delta and Sigma Nu.

It was a fun week of bonding and competition among all of Westminster's Greek organizations.



The Eps and Zetas hope to float.

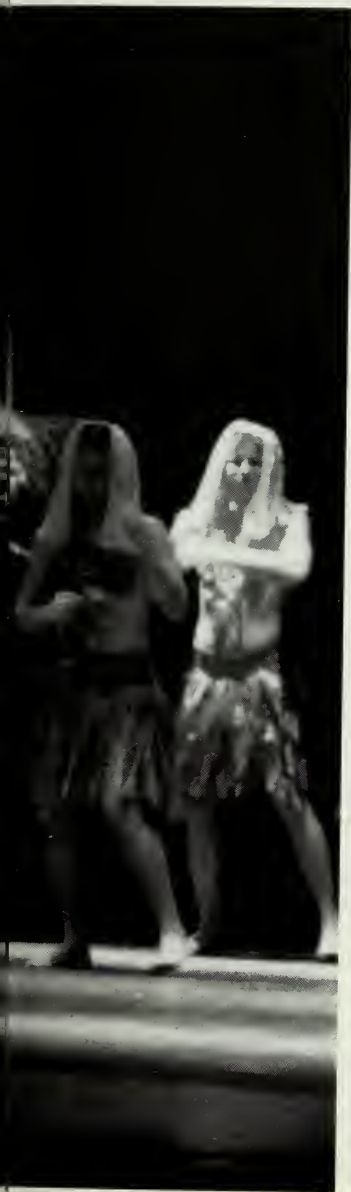


Pittsburgh was the place for Zeta Tau Alpha.



Jake Nolen passes an orange to his partner.



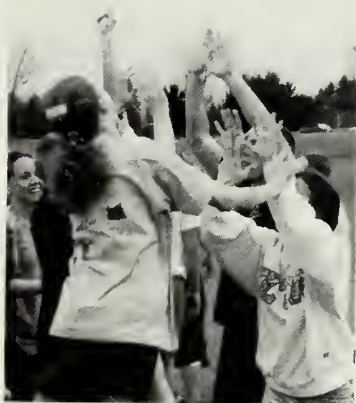


The Eps hulaed their way to first place by singing and dancing to Elvis songs about "places."

Struggling to keep their balance, this three-legged pair practices for their soccer game.



Jared Tomko oversees the Phi Mu versus Zeta tug-of-war.



The Zetas celebrate a victory.

Miss Titan candidates nervously await the announcement of the winner.



Anything That Floats competitors get ready to test their creations.

The Mattress Race is one of the more unusual Greek Week competitions.

Gathering Together

After FreshStart each class at Westminster breaks apart into their own interests and their own circles of friends.

During Senior Week those divisions are forgotten and the class unifies once again for a week filled with fun and togetherness. This week is a time to say good-bye, rather than hello, to college life.

On Monday, Senior Week started in much the same way Fresh Start 1993 ended - the Class of 1997 had a picnic with Oscar and Emma Remick. And once again it poured down rain so that the picnic had to be taken inside. That night, just hours after many seniors took their last Westminster finals, they loaded up the buses and travelled to Hot Rod Cafe for a night of eating, partying, and dancing. Finally all of the studying was over and they had the chance to just enjoy each other's company.

For most Tuesday was a day of rest (or perhaps recovery). That evening some seniors listened to an Amish-dressed rock band, the "Earthquakers," at the Down Under.

Bright and early on Wednesday morning the buses were once again loaded with future grads looking for fun. The day was filled with the thrills of Cedar Point. Even the chilly May air did not dampen their enthusiasm nor did it prevent quite a few sunburns.

Thursday was another early day for many students who spent the day giving of themselves as a part of a Habitat for Humanity work project.

Commencement practice was the only planned activity for the last day of Senior Week as the startling realization of the fast approaching of "real world" began to sink in for the grads. Friday night was the last chance for '97 grads to party as Westminster College students and the last chance for many to say their good-byes before all the chaos of Graduation Day got in the way.



**Senior Eps:
friends and
brothers**



**These friends
have ties to
last long after
graduation.**



**During se-
nior week
the only
thing that
matters is
having fun.**





A view from the balcony at Hot Rod Cafe. Jill Addleman and Julie Sharp nervously await the "Demon Drop."



Senior Eps say farewell to some of their brothers during senior week.



These seniors got together to party at Sigma Nu the night before graduation.

After four years of grueling Psychology and Biology labs Mike McMurray and Tiffany Agert finally get a chance to relax.

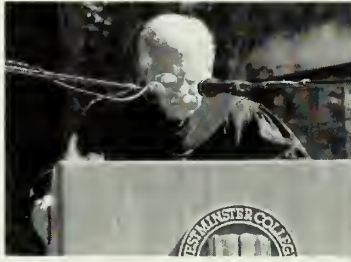
Final farewells

Saturday May 24, 1997 was just another day to many, but for 393 of us and our respective families and friends it was a day like no other. After weeks of hard work the physical plant put the finishing touches on the beautiful quad which was roused from its usual Saturday morning slumber with a flurry of activity. From the morning Baccalaureate, to the Parent's picnic, to Commencement, to the after commencement reception the quad was packed with parents, students, friends, faculty, and, of course, the graduates themselves. Choirs sang, notables spoke, and masses applauded in order to commemorate the occasion.

Now what? Up until graduation day, graduation itself was held up as the pinnacle of accomplishment. However, as the months dwindled to days, and then to hours before the event it became quite clear that this was but an first step on a very high ladder.

As the graduates waited to get their diplomas, and then for the rest of their classmates to get their diplomas in the baking heat their thoughts soon turned to what they would be doing next. Would they get good jobs? Would they go to graduate school? Would they be moving out on our own or back with their families? This onslaught of questions made some wonder what they had actually accomplished.

More than the songs that were sung, the speeches that were spoken, and the deafening roar of congratulations was the importance of what had occurred inside many of them. Over the past few years at Westminster they have garnered the skills for answering the impending questions that floated in the air during commencement. Those questions were eased by the knowledge that they could reach the next step on the ladder and well beyond.



Invocation was given by Dean Wayne Nickerson



Kate Daly gave the Senior Class Remarks



At Baccalaureate the Rev. John Buchanan spoke to the graduates.





With congratulations Chancellor Remick gives Jason McCaughey his diploma.

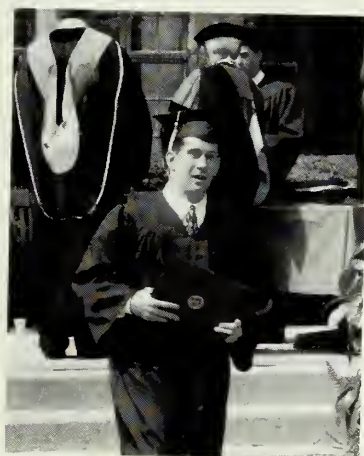
Chancellor Remick and Governor Ridge take a refreshing break from the formality of the day.



Nervous graduates file into the chairs on the senior terrace.



Choir graduates provided music at Baccalaureate.



Matthew Rozak received his Bachelor of Science. Choir graduates sang together for the last time on graduation day.



Honor graduate Hiler Gardner proudly awaits her diploma.

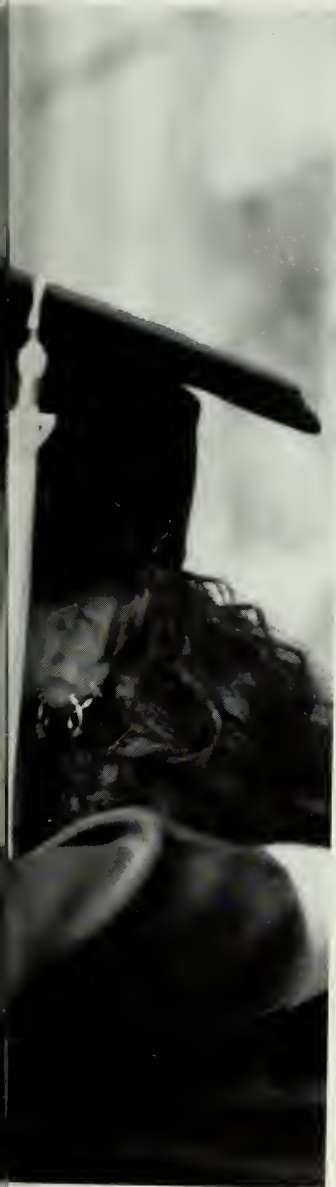
Graduation





Graduation





Number one seed Scott Pfaler practices on a chilly spring day.

Senior Christian Arriola serves to his opponent.



H	Bethany	L	6-3
A	St. Vincent	W	8-1
A	Geneva	W	9-0
A	Allegheny	L	6-1
H	Geneva	W	8-1
H	Gannon	W	forfeit
KECC Tournament		1st of 3 teams	
H	Malone	W	6-3
H	Grove City	L	8-1
H	Walsh	L	5-2
A	Edinboro	L	6-3

Sophomore Scott Pfaler prepares to serve.





Remaining focused, Anson Miedel returns the ball.

-VOLLEYING— —FOR— —VICTORY—

The men's tennis team had a spectacular season, going undefeated in KECC play. The Titans began the season with a KECC shutout at Geneva, at which they did not lose a single set in singles or doubles play. This victory set the pace for the Titans who beat Geneva twice more during the regular season. Led by number 1 seed, sophomore Scott Pfahler, the team

captured its third consecutive KECC team title. Pfahler won his second consecutive conference singles title and All-KECC team honors. He also took the doubles title with teammate sophomore Jay Barkley. Senior Dan Coffman also merited All-KECC honors. For the third year in a row team coach Gene Nicholson was named KECC Men's Tennis Coach of the Year.



The 1997 Men's Tennis Team

Michael Lawrence races ahead of the competition

At the Grove City tournament Tom DeFloria soared through the air as he competed in the long jump.

Positioning for a throw Bob Beck hurles the shot put.



Putting all of his energy into the throw Andrew Parshall releases the shot put.

Pacing themselves for the distance run Westminster teammates wait to make their move.





Going ready to pass the baton Ryan Dzacony finishes his lap.
 John Sherman makes the last hurdle.

-RUNNING- -FOR- -GLORY-

The men's track and field team had a rocky but heart-felt season. Under Coaches Dafler and Klamut, the Titans initiated a great group of promising freshmen talent to the team. Their first meet was at Mt. Union College where the team had three athletes place in the top 8 of their individual events. At Grove City, freshman John Sherman placed first in the javelin. Sherman

later placed fourth in the high jump at Slippery Rock. The team placed third of four at the KECC Championships held at Geneva, but earned three first place finishes in individual events: freshman J.T. Wilson in the 400 meter run, Sherman for the javelin, and the 400 meter relay with the team of Wilson, freshmen Tom DeFloria and Ryan Dzacony, and junior Tom Alexander.



The 1997 Track and Field Team

Following an at-bat Antonio Vitello returns to the dugout.



Kevin Dill warms up while he and Antonio Vitello watch a teammate at bat.

Rallying before the game the teammates huddle together.



A	Washington and Jefferson	W	12-8	H	Point Park	L	8-6
A	Washington and Jefferson	L	4-2	H	Point Park	L	7-3
H	Grove City	W	8-0	A	St. Vincent	W	3-1
H	Grove City	W	13-10	A	St. Vincent	W	7-3
A	Bridgewater	W	11-10	H	Thiel	W	16-7
A	Eastern Mennonite	L	11-5	A	Geneva	W	7-6
A	Randolph-Macon	L	16-9	A	Geneva	L	5-1
A	Washington and Lee	L	14-13	A	Point Park	L	5-4
A	Slippery Rock	W	17-7	A	Point Park	L	9-0
H	St. Vincent	L	5-8	A	Clarion	W	10-6
H	St. Vincent	W	13-4	H	Point Park	W	10-8
H	Geneva	L	16-6	H	Wilmington	L	7-3
H	Geneva	L	11-9	H	Point Park	L	11-9

Jens Jorgenson gets some last minute advice from first base Coach Kelly.

Matt Twining works on his pitching arm in the intramural gym.





First baseman Chad Snyder returns to the dug-out after hitting in a home game against Point Park.

-HITTING- -FOR- -HOME-

The Titan baseball team, under head coach Sean Kelly, faced a roller-coaster season this year. They began the season with a four day - four game road trip to Virginia, where they lost three of four games. They split the KECC opening double header against St. Vincent after an outstanding performance by senior outfielder

Chris Snyder. The team went on to be swept by Geneva in a KECC double header. They then dropped a double header to Point Park and swept a double over St. Vincent in the same weekend. Strong performances by senior pitcher Kip Botirius, senior right fielder Jens Jorgenson, and Junior third baseman Scott Bowman led to the victories.



The 1997 Baseball Team

Jamie Slack rounds the base to third.

Tatum Rupert returns to the bench.

Winding up for the pitch Meredith Oswald throws to a Mercyhurst batter.

Thirdbaseman Liz Maurhoff stands ready to catch the ball.



A Malone	L 4-1	A Dubuque	W 8-2	H Rio Grande	L 7-0
A Malone	L 6-2	H Clarion	L 7-2	H Rio Grande	L 10-0
H Mercyhurst	W 3-0	H Clarion	W 6-0	H Point Park	L 9-3
H Mercyhurst	W 8-3	H St. Vincent	W 8-0	H Point Park	W 6-0
H Thiel	W 9-8	H St. Vincent	W 6-0	H Seton Hill	W 5-0
H Thiel	W 2-0	A Allegheny	L 8-7	H Point Park	W 8-0
A Findlay	L 7-0	A Allegheny	L 1-0	H Point Park	L 5-4
A St. Mary's	L 10-2	H Geneva	W 6-5	H Point Park	W 6-0
A Mount Vernon Nazarene	L 4-3	H Geneva	W 8-0	A Grove City	L 2-0
A Mount Mercy	L 10-6	A Edinboro	L 7-6	A Grove City	L 2-1
A Luther	L 5-4	A Edinboro	W 5-4	A Castleton State	W 7-3
A Buena Vista	L 7-3	A Penn State-Behrend	W 2-0	A Georgian Court	L 3-2
A Taylor	W 5-2	A Penn State-Behrend	W 7-6	A Goldey Beacom	L 2-1
A Mount Mercy	L 12-3	A Seton Hill	W 5-3		
A Millikin	W 8-5	A Seton Hill	W 10-4		

DOMINATING— —THE— —DIAMOND

The 1996 - 1997 season was successfully rewarded by being named Women's Softball season was one of transition for the team's Most Valuable player. Even with all of these changes the team went into the season with high hopes. They were a well seasoned group losing few players last season and expected to do well. The team did go far, winning enough games to advance to the conference championships beating Point Park for the right to advance to the regional tournament. Junior Jamie Slack noted that, "overall, of her own especially in spite of facing so much with the teams many transition with a new coach double headers. She faced and some freshman starters, that challenge the season went well."

The team was larger than usual with twenty players rather than the expected seventeen or eighteen. With only one strong pitcher to start off the season Meredith Oswald faced a heavy challenge. She faced that challenge



MVP Meredith Oswald winds up for the pitch.



Catcher Annie Wolfe takes her at-bat.

Waiting for the ball from the pitcher, catcher Annie Wolfe positions herself to receive the throw.

Chad Rittle lines up a putt.



Chad Metz chips from the sand trap.

Walking on the fairway of New Castle Country Club Seth Aikman gets ready to practice another drive.



Sean Byers takes his second drive on the fairway.

Following his chip shot to the green Eric Ives checks how close he is to the flag.



Titan Invitational	2nd of 4 teams
Glenville State Invitational	1st of 9 teams
Camp LeJeune Invitational	4th of 16 teams
Slippery Rock Invitational	10th of 14 teams
IUP Invitational	6th of 12 teams
Penn State-Behrend Invitational	1st of 12 teams
NAIA Northeast Regional	1st of 7 teams
NAIA National Championships	T-25th of 33 teams

—SINK— —THAT— —PUTT—

The golf team shot out of the start winning its first invitational by one stroke at Glenville State. Junior Ryan Ponitius placed third overall. Under head Coach Joe Fusco, they also won the Penn State - Behrend Invitational by 27 strokes over second place Edinboro. The team's remaining finishes were good enough to earn the Titans their third consecutive NAIA

Northeast Regional title at the Championship tournament played in Vasselboro, Maine. This automatically qualified the team to play at the NAIA National Tournament in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Pontius earned his second consecutive regional individual title, and teammate junior Seth Aikman tied for fifth. Both players were named to the NAIA Regional team.



After releasing his shot Nate Lesney putts for practice.



At practice Chad Rittle and Nate Lesney work on their drives.



-UNIQUE- -CLUB- -SPORTS-



Club sports offer students unique opportunities to participate in less traditional sporting events. However, along with these unique opportunities come some unique challenges.

Westminster is one of only about 250 schools in the United States to have an intercollegiate equestrian team. This year's team was made up of twelve students with a wide range of abilities. The team competes with colleges from all across the state and in Ohio and West Virginia in 10 to 12 meets a year. Westminster hosts two of these - one in the spring and one in the fall. As with the rugby team the students are responsible for providing their own transportation to the shows where horses are provided by the host schools. Once the students arrive at the show they draw the name of the horse they are to ride that day. Junior Jackie See explains that, "even though you usually compete against all the same people you never know what horse you will get. That is what makes it a challenge."

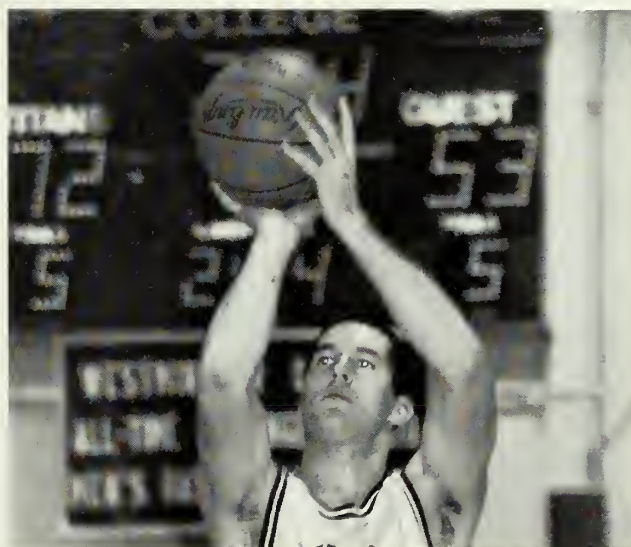
Coach Mary McKinley and Assistant Coach Carol Baker oversee practices twice a week. New members of the team are evaluated by the coaches and if necessary are required to take the Equestrian gym class.

Unlike the equestrian team, the rugby team does not have a coach. This places extra demands on the players in their efforts to organize the team. Led this year by Brad Phillips, Jason Mihalcin, and Mike Pitrusu, the team must set up their own schedule in the spring by calling participating schools in the area. The team pays dues to the Allegheny Rugby Union which then provides officials.

Although the team would like to have a coach they have, over the past few years, been able to overcome the problem. Thanks to the dedication and patience of older players the skills of the game have been passed on to each new group of players. In addition, the team holds practice games throughout the fall to get ready for the spring season. These fall games provide a real challenge for the team as they are played against the Steel Valley Men's Club from Boardman Ohio which is one of the top 10 teams in the nation.

A problem that many club sports teams have is with recognition. According to Jason Mihalcin, "Some people didn't even realize there was a [rugby] team." Hopefully, in the years to come more students will be aware of our unique club sports and make an effort to support them.









Keeping

Westminster students
aren't just "students."
Many of us are
volunteers, musicians,
members of governing
bodies, and active

Busy

participants in
academic clubs.
Likewise, we are young
adults who, enjoying
the freedom of being
away from home,
sometimes like to just
hangout and have fun.



Lambda Sigma

Lambda Sigma is a national sophomore honor society whose purpose is to foster leadership, scholarship, fellowship and service. After successfully completing one semester of college course credits eligible freshmen are considered for membership. These students must have at least a 3.0 QPA and have shown leadership skills in other activities at Westminster. This selective group inducts no more than ten percent of the freshman class each year.

The 1996 - 1997 school year was an exciting one for the Westminster College Lambda Sigma Chapter as they had the opportunity to host the annual Lambda Sigma Presidents' Conference on the weekend of November 1. About 50 people from colleges and universities all over the United States attended this year's convention. Included in the event were teachers, students and members of the Lambda Sigma National Board.

The theme of this year's convention was "Disco Fever." Friday was spent getting settled in and getting to know each other through "ice breaking" games. Saturday was a busy day filled with meetings and workshops. Lambda Sigmas were able to exchange a lot of ideas for fund-raisers, service projects, and motivational techniques at these workshops. Saturday evening was time for fun and relaxation with activities in the Field House, the annual "Feaste" in the Russell Dining Hall, and a "Saturday Night Fever" dance.

Cochairs of the event were President Shannon Clark and last year's president Jessica Hanlin. They credit the Westminster chapter and their faculty advisors Neal Edman, Angela Broeker, and David Swerdlow with the success of the event.





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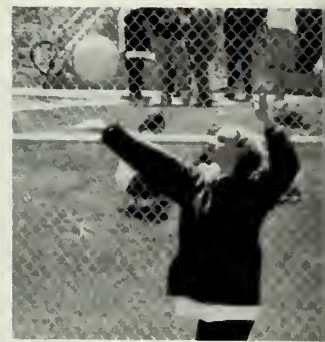
Lambda Sigma
Leadership, Scholarship
& Fellowship

SGA

The Student Government Association was made up of Elected Officers, 12 members of each class, and seven committee chairs. This year's officers were President Jason Kalajainen, V.P. Colleen Wilson, Secretary Ashley Davis, and Treasurer Leila Ben-Nasr.

One of the primary responsibilities of SGA is to allocate funds for various student organizations. SGA also organizes events of their own such as Volleyrock, the College Bowl, a trip to the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, and a trip to a Penguins game. SGA also was active in getting the Titan Traverse started and encouraging upcoming TUB renovations.

One of the most important roles of SGA is to serve as a liaison between the student body and the administration.





CPC

The Campus Programming Committee is funded by SGA to provide students with entertainment opportunities. Senior Bill Gardner headed the organization this year.

Each year the committee chairs attend National, Local, and Regional conferences to select possible performers. These options are brought back to the committee for final selections. They also try to save money through cooperative buying in which local schools choose dates close together for the same performer.

Paul Giunta, 1997-1998 chair, explains that ideas from all students are welcome and anyone is welcome to join CPC.



Down Under

Also funded by SGA, The Down Under, was operated under the direction General Manager, junior Brian C. Taylor. According to him the highlight was "definitely the Gala Ball. We had over 200 people in attendance and gave out over 200 stem glasses with the Gala Ball insignia." The event was held on Valentines Day, February 14, 1997. While most of the entertainment brought to the Down Under is provided by CPC the weekend movies are not. Two licensing companies provide the Down Under with 1 to 2 free movies each weekend. This year students were treated to 40 free movies.

In addition to the General Manager the Down Under is run by SGA's Down Under committee - Ginger Lilly, Julia McGuffy, Mark Pianko, and Sterling Smith - and the Down Under Staff - Assistant General Manager Cristina Nally, Carol Brownlee, Mike Costello, Tricia Chuzie, Paula Dawan, Megan Ellis, Sarah Goodrich, Jennifer Katterson, Bob Lewis, Mark McKenzie, Mike McMurray, Melissa Nally, Theresa Rotellini, Becky Skandera, Mauri Smith, Chad Taylor, Jarod Tomko.



Black Student Union

This year's Black Student Union was led by President Paula Dawan, Vice President Carol Brownlee, Secretary Deborah Wallace, and Treasurer Sterling Smith. The Black Student Union is open to all students and is committed to bringing ethnic diversity and awareness to campus. Some of the group's projects included bringing Harambee dancers to campus, donating books to the library and holding a Bachelor's Auction to raise money for the United Negro College Fund.



Panhel

The purpose of Panhel is to promote unity among greek women. It is made up of members of each of the five social sororities on campus. This years officers were President Rachel Blair (KΔ), Vice-President Melissa Furis (ΑΓΔ), Rush Chair Mary Whiteman (ΣΚ), Secretary Kim McCaskey (ΦΜ), and Treasurer Sherri Skowvron (ZTA). In addition to officers Panhel is made up of Junior and Senior delegates from each sorority and Committee Chairs selected by the president.

Some of Panhel's accomplishments for this year included running the Happy Bus, organizing Take Back the Night, bringing blood drives to campus, overseeing sorority rush, selling Christmas ornaments and collecting food for the Lawrence County Women's Shelter.



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This year's book took a little longer to complete than did last year's (waiting until February to get our budget passed didn't help). It is now 3:47 on Friday August 8 and if the computer ever lets me print pages 118 and 119 I will be done. Lots of people deserve my thanks for helping me get this book done. The two who deserve the most thanks are Molly Spinney and Lois Kazenski. They not only helped me get things done but listened to me whine and moan about this publication for the past two years. They are the two I will miss the most in my new "yearbook-free" life. This book could never have been completed if it was not for the help of the 1996-1997 Argo staff especially the last minute photographers who got me out of my photo crisis in April. Thanks to Communication Services - John for helping me become more computer literate and Joe for providing sports pictures. And finally thanks to all of you who gave me pictures and information even as late as last week!

Although we tried our best to publish the best yearbook possible I am sure that many of you wish things were different. LET STAFFERS KNOW! Tell them what you like and what you don't like so that they can make improvements next year. I'm sure that next years editors would welcome your comments as well as your pictures and information on events or clubs that you are involved in. A college annual is for everyone in the college community, but it takes input from everyone to be done right.

Sincerely,
Mindi

Band

The Band Program performed over 30 concerts this past year, both on and off campus. The program continued its support of public school music education by hosting the District 5 Honors Band, District 5 band (R. Tad Greig, Director of Bands, Guest Conductor), a Pennsylvania Music educators Education Association Adjudication Festival (for bands), and the 5th Annual Westminster College High School Jazz Festival. Six Westminster Band members were also honored as participants in the 50th Annual Pennsylvania Intercollegiate Band festival, hosted by Bloomsburg University. The Band hopes to increase their visibility even more next year, adding performances for alumni events and other college functions.



Wind Ensemble



Symphonic Band



"Titanettes" Danceline

Jazz Ensemble



Flagline

Titan Marching Band



Percussion Ensemble



Woodwind Quintet



Flute Choir



*Left with memories of
seasons past and dreams
of summer's future.*



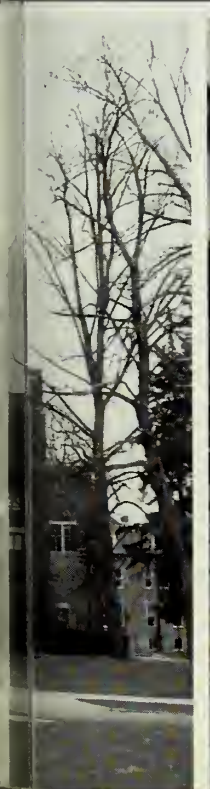


Summer

As summertime approaches and the year winds down many of us take time to look back on the year. It has been a year full of

Reflections

changes - some welcomed, some mourned, and some controversial. Only time will tell what effect these changes will have on Westminster.



Even though the weather continued to hold on to its wintry chill, Spring finally blossomed on the Westminster campus.

Although the flowers

This has been a year of changes and mergers, of hellos and good-byes, and of beginnings and endings.

The social scene was as interesting as ever this year. After their year of probation, Alpha Sigma Phi was the place to see and be seen. And while they were finally allowed to move into their beautiful new house, many of us did not have the opportunity to see it since Phi Kappa Tau landed themselves on probation. The securities measures taken by the Interfraternal Council (IFC) at the fraternities on party night worked out well, allowing many freshmen to experience the Greek style long before formal rush. Mark Ayers, 1996-1997 IFC President, commented that, "obviously since this was the first year [for the new security measures] we had some ups and downs. It was good for the guys to have an extra pair of eyes to cut down on problems, but it also presented a financial burden for the fraternities."

We welcomed the TitanCard and TitanNet early this fall, and they both seemed to work well for the campus community. The TitanCard made it a great deal easier to purchase snacks at the Westminster and trinkets at the bookstore, but for that exact reason, Marriott has decided to discontinue Munch Money next





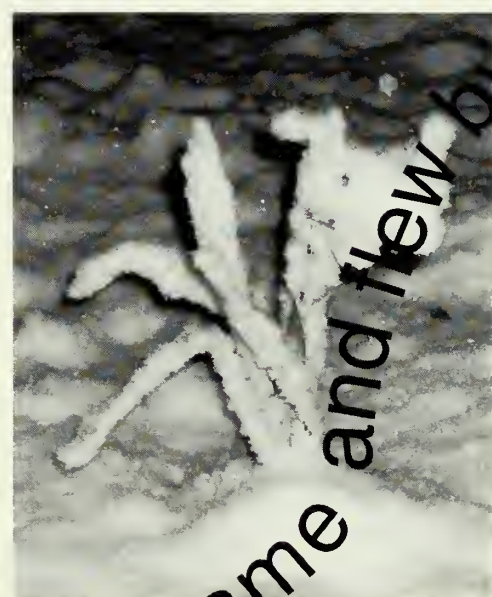
Many of us remember these halls of the old Phi Tau house filled with parties.

On a warm spring day Jason Murphy played frisbee by the TUB.

Tim Montgomery relaxes with a day of fishing on the Brittain.



In its last days, Waugh Avenue's Phi Tau house was turned inside-out.



A snow covered daffodil outside of Ferg.

ing semester came and flew by...

year. They say that they were losing too much money when students used their Munch Money in the bookstore and other non-Marriott places. The Bookstore, however, has seen the TitanCard as a great success. Linda, a familiar face to all of us at the Bookstore, says, "They [TitanCards] have done really well. Our business has really picked up with it. Students seem to like not carrying money with them all the time."

As for the TitanNet, this network saved those lucky enough to have a computer hooked up in their room from the headaches of the overcrowded labs. But some students say that they became so tired of being asked by hallmates who wanted to check their e-mail without going to the lab that these students considered charging an e-mail fee.

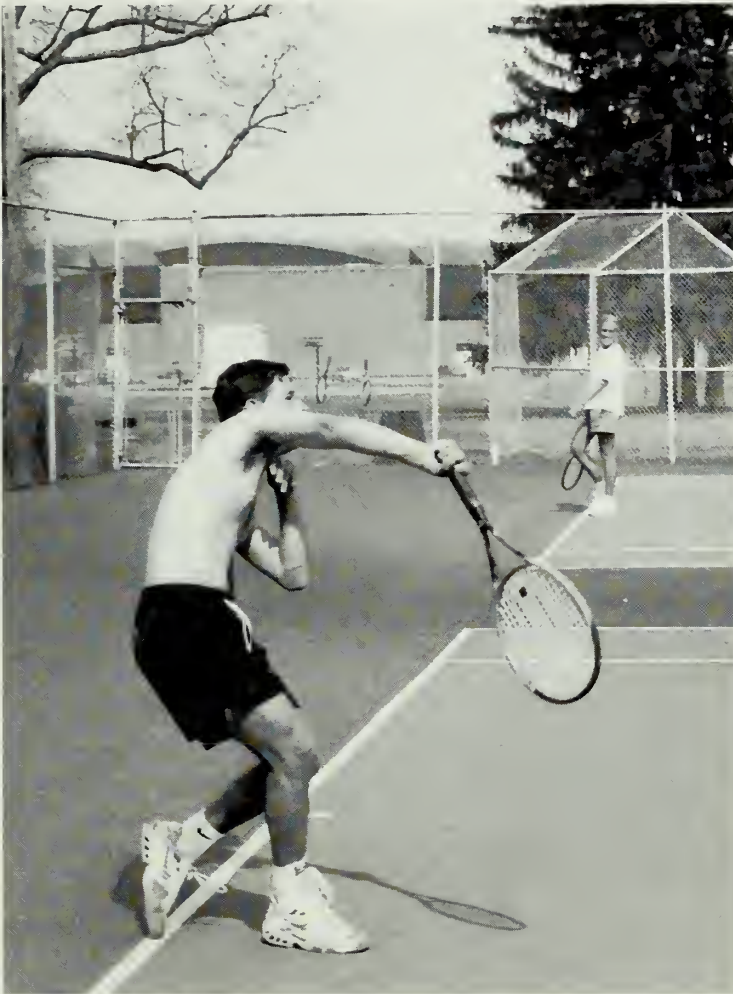
At the year's start, students and faculty were looking forward to the curricular changes scheduled to begin in the Fall of 1997 and to the pilot courses which preceded their arrival. The Inquiry pilot completed its inaugural year, as it was taken by two sections of freshmen. It was a learning experience for both students and professors who sought to perfect the program before it became a requirement of all incoming freshmen next fall.

While this has been an exciting time of change and growth for Westminster, we have also been forced to say many good-byes. January 1997 marked the last J-term, a unique opportunity in our



Some things never change. Hanging out in the quad is always popular in warm weather.

The tennis courts are often full in the warm days of spring.



Leaping into the warm ocean water Max Chen had some fun while learning about the Guatemalan culture during his J-Term travel seminar.



“ They [Titan Cards] have done really well. ”



While travelling to Ecuador in January Denise McAdams had her face painted with Achote, traditional Sequoian welcome paint.

The Titan card was a success for the bookstore but unfortunately not for Marriott. These J-term travellers will be forever changed by the breathtaking sights of Europe.

academic calendar that will be missed by both students and faculty. Dean Mann explains, "Westminster College students have been fortunate enough to experience more than 25 January terms, but the new generations of students are looking forward to the challenges and innovations of an enhanced Westminster education." Many students and faculty members have expressed disappointment at this change. One major concern is that of travel seminars. However, Dean Mann defends the change stressing that the three main benefits of J-term - travel seminars, innovative course offerings, and internship opportunities - have all been taken into consideration. Travel seminars are already being offered for next year (during the break between semesters), the new cluster courses provide the innovative team teaching that J-term had provided, and internship opportunities still exist throughout the year. Even with reassurance though, some are still skeptical of the change and concerned that losing our unique calendar will be detrimental to the college. Only time will tell. We said saddest good-byes to Dr. Peter Macky, chair of the Department of Religion and Philosophy, who passed away this spring. The lasting impact that he made on his students was clear at his memorial service as members of the Westminster family, past and present, filled the chapel to say good-bye. He was a fascinating man with an awe-inspiring intellect and a beautiful spirit, whose absence



At his last Westminster Commencement Oscar Remick felt a shared feeling of change with the class of 1997. Before the chaos of finals week hit, Mike Bell had some free time for fishing at the lake.



Spring is a time for the golf team to shine.



“...the new generations of students are looking forward...”



Doing classwork for Psychology of Women Sara Rothenberger and Jennie Willison look forward to Spring Break.



Miss Sigma Phi Epsilon, Corry Bondi, prepares to “Wow” the judges.

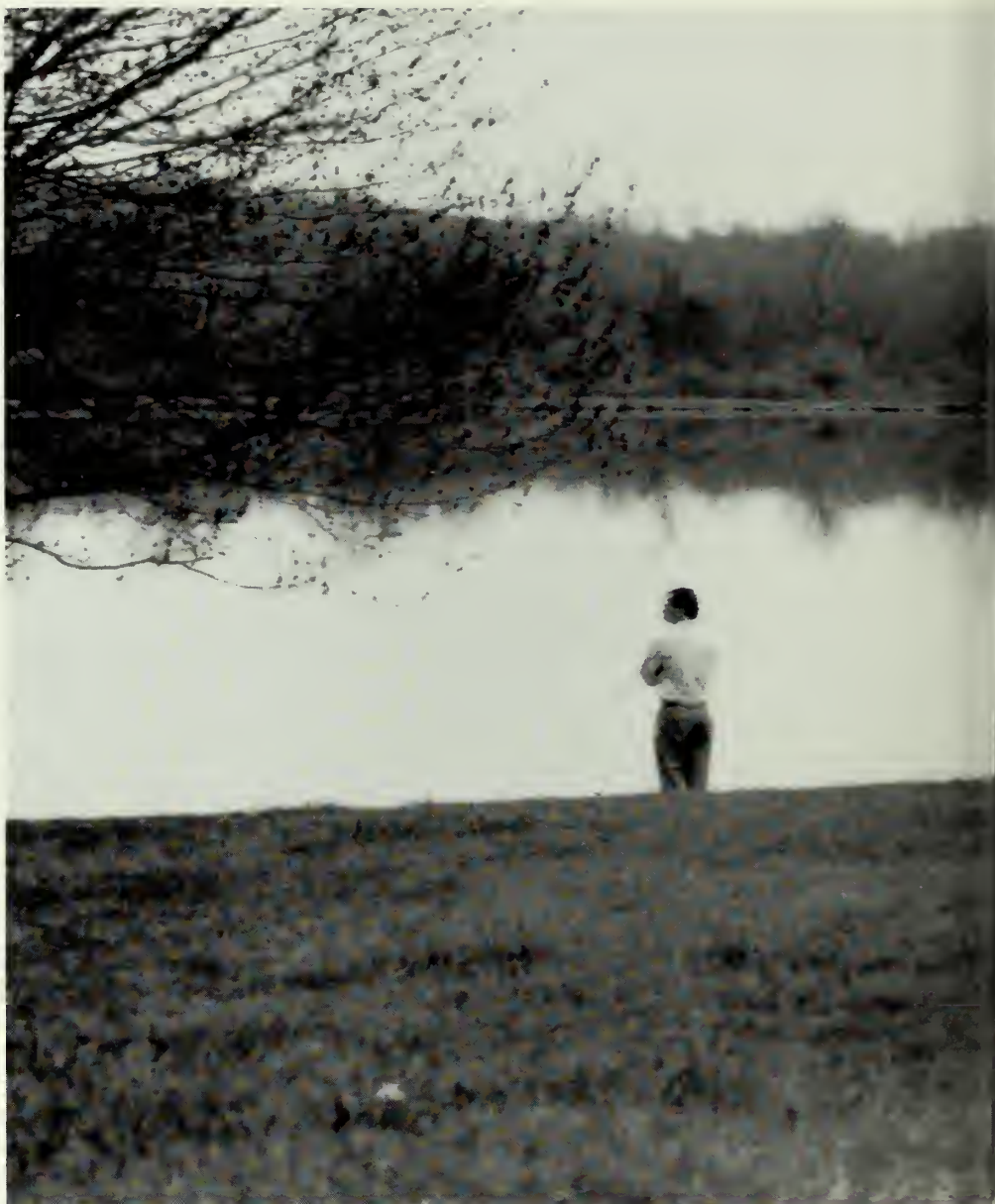
Many underclassmen attended commencement to bid their senior friends farewell.

leaves a hole in the hearts of many.

As the year drew to a close the graduates were not the only one looking forward to a new and exciting future. Farewell was also in order as Chancellor Oscar E. Remick completed his last year at the College after serving her honorably for ten years. In honor of his invaluable contributions to Westminster, Remick was given the title President Emeritus. The smiling faces of Oscar and Emma will be sorely missed.

The Presidential Search Committee spent most of the year looking for Remick's successor, and found him in Mr. R. Thomas Williamson. Williamson, who has served as the executive vice president of Clarkson University for the last five years, will begin his tenure as Westminster's 13th president on June 30, 1997.

And finally the graduating Class of 1997 must bid a bittersweet farewell to Westminster. Their four years here at Westminster have helped to enrich their lives, and in turn have enriched others as well. They are sent into their respective futures, remembering the fondest memories and their smiles, reassured in the knowledge that the education and friendships of Westminster will not fail them. Jason Kalajainen, Student Government President, leaves us with these words, "As seasons come and go things will continuously change in our lives, but the friendships that we've nurtured through those seasons will remain constant."



Tat Fong gazes out over lake Brittain.

At graduation Mel Montgomery presented Brian Kiggins with a farewell present.



The softball team made us proud this spring.



“ The friendships we’ve nurtured through those seasons will remain constant. ”



Zach Orr and Ed Large wait at the TUB for their next class. Graduates Jason Kalajainen, Jill Skretny, and Karen Hinsdale share some laughs on their way to Beighley.



After four years together Nikki Rasmussen and Amy Dymond prepare to graduate.

Jessica Buckeye catches some rays as she studies.





